■ **SOLDIER'S CHRISTMAS:** Special gift ■ **INDIA:** Fleming principal on exchange ■ **SHORT SHIFT:** Museum hours cut

The Haliburton County

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2009

# ECHO

www.haliburtonecho.ca
Vol. 126 No. 52 $1.35 INCL. GST

Publications mail agreement # 40063862

■ ART

# A brush with the Prince

## From music royalty to edible art, Karen Sloan's paintings inspire

**TERRANCE GAVAN**
*Staff reporter*

Karen Sloan's painting *Guitars and Orchids* was on display at the Art on King Gallery back in 2002 when a passerby stopped in to peruse.

The dude, who was probably sporting patent leather pumps, an assortment of scarves and something mauve, stopped short in front of *Guitars and Orchids*, lingered for a bit, and told the clerk to wrap it up.

The passerby?

Well, just some musician, funky clothes-horse and art aficionado who happened to be living at the time in the trendy Bridle Path neighborhood in Toronto.

You know the guy.

Hails from Minnesota, plays a pretty mean guitar, loves purple, has some sur-

*See* **Fun** *page 15*

ANGELICA BLENICH/Echo

**Bah humbug**

**Colin Miller puts on his best Grinch expression as he tries to find that perfect last-minute gift for his loved ones Christmas Eve.**

■ TOY DRIVE

# Need was up this Christmas

**ANGELICA BLENICH**
*Staff reporter*

Despite incessant news reports of a sluggish economy, residents of Haliburton can once again be proud of the generosity they exemplified this year for the Haliburton County Home Builders Association Christmas toy and food drive.

The annual drive, which is organized by the association, is a community-wide initiative that involves many local businesses and services. Now in its 14th year, the fundraiser has successfully provided much-needed toys and food items for local families and individuals donated over the holiday season, and this year's drive was no exception.

According to the association, the end results from this year's drive were once again good. But Aggie Tose, executive officer for the organization, thinks things could have been better.

"Not better with the giving but with

*See* **Businesses** *page 17*

HALIBURTON TIM-BR Mart
Give Your Home A NEW LOOK
Come in and see our huge selection of paints and find that perfect colour for re-decorating any room.
PITTSBURGH PAINTS
Haliburton TIM-BR MART
5138 County Road #21, Haliburton, Ontario
(705) 457-2510
or 1-877-425-5862
FAX: (705) 457-1591
sales@haliburtonlumber.com
AIR MILES Travel and More

COUNCIL

# County short $1.2 M, debates tax hikes

**CHAD INGRAM**

*Staff reporter*

Next year is likely to bring a tax hike for Haliburton County residents. County councillors reviewed the year's preliminary budget at a Dec. 16 meeting and the news was not good for taxpayers.

Just before last week's meeting, the county was informed that it would be losing $1.2 million in funding from the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF) in 2010 and another $1.2 million from the fund in 2011.

"It's really beyond our control," treasurer Laura Janke told councillors.

Janke said the county also had a deficit in its social services funding, which it shares with the City of Kawartha Lakes, to the tune of approximately $236,000 for 2009.

Janke said the unanticipated depth of the recession has meant that more people than expected have been using social services.

Collective bargaining with the union that represents the county's employees also means that county employees will be receiving a three per cent pay increase in 2010.

These factors, combined with the huge cut in provincial funding, would mean the county would need a tax increase of 17 per cent to keep services and programming at their current levels, Janke said.

Council asked that staff work on estimates of what 10 and 12 per cent tax increases would look like and that these proposals be discussed by council at a special budget meeting on March 10.

Councillors also heard from the county's department heads, who gave overviews of the last year and outlined challenges as well as savings opportunities for the upcoming year.

Roads superintendent Doug Ray, whose department is expected to be hardest hit by the large cuts in provincial funding, seemed shocked and exasperated by the news of the funding cut as he spoke to council.

"We're going to have to sit down and have a hard, hard look," adding that a study has shown the county needs about $8 million worth of roads projects.

Ray said he could likely go without items like new bush-mowing equipment and possibly decrease the number of ditches and roadsides that are mowed by the county during summer months.

"Our roads department is like an accordion," he said, explaining his department would make it through, no matter how tightly it was squeezed.

DYSART FIRE DEPT. BRIEFS

# Fire destroys shed and woodpile

Peter Curry awoke Dec. 18 to find his shed and woodpile full engulfed in flames at about 6 a.m.

Curry called the fire department and was able to control the spread of the fire until 11 firefighters arrived on the scene.

According to the fire report, the cause was "improperly disposed ashes."

There was about $2,000 in damages including the shed and 25 cords of wood.

## No damage after chimney fire

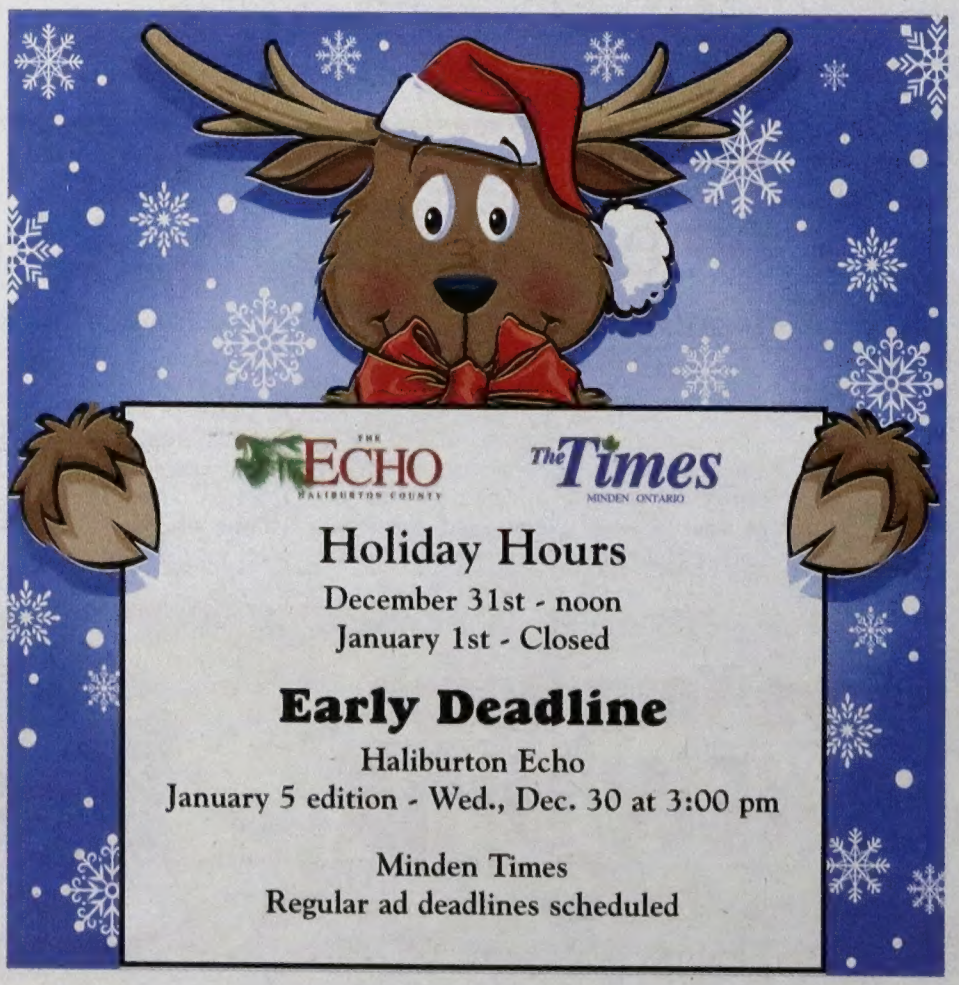
A chimney fire at Hawk River Construction had 10 firefighters at the Mallard Road building in the early afternoon Dec. 16.

The chimney was not properly maintained, the fire report says, causing the fire at Larry Hewitt's property.

There was no damage.

## Injuries in Highland Street accident

One person was taken to hospital after two vehicles collided at the intersection of Highland Street and Gelert Road in Haliburton Dec. 21. Firefighters, police and ambulance crews all attended the scene around 1 p.m. Monday. Extent of the injuries are not known.



A MOM'S GIFT

# A stick for a son who's off to Afghanistan

**TERRANCE GAVAN**

*Staff reporter*

**Community Care's Brigitte Gebauer, left, with Sharon Middlehurst and Scotty Morrison who replaced a long-lost Paul Henderson autographed stick for Middlehurst's son Sgt. Major Chris Rusk who is off to Afghanistan in January. /Photo by Terrance Gavan**

You will forgive Sharon Middlehurst for hugging Scotty Morrison so hard.

And you will understand her tears, when you hear the story of a miniature hockey stick, emblazoned with an extraordinary autograph and a Toronto Maple Leafs logo, and how it made its way to Haliburton from Toronto and the Hockey Hall of Fame.

How it made this Christmas so very special for a mom, who must now stand strong in the wings and watch as her son, chief warrant officer Chris Rusk, boards a plane for Kandahar, Afghanistan in January.

Poignant, because Haliburton resident – and hockey Hall of Famer – Scotty Morrison, along with Leafs greats Ron Ellis and Paul Henderson all conspired to bring that unique hockey stick here to Haliburton, so a proud mom could give her son something extra special for Christmas this year.

The tears came mixed with smiles as Sharon Middlehurst, known as the quilt lady in the Highlands, stood in the meeting room of Community Care Haliburton last week, with volunteer coordinator Brigitte Gebauer and Morrison.

Tears of joy blended with a mom's love, amidst a constrained and contained celebration, because this particular gift comes with a price. It comes coincident with the attendant worries of a mother who must shortly bid her son goodbye as he trudges off to war.

Etched on Middlehurst's face, a mother's fears, infused with a smile and gratitude – and those tears.

And you will understand immediately just how much Middlehurst loves her 47-year-old son, regimental sergeant major Rusk of the 2nd Regiment Royal Canadian Horse Artillery based at Camp Petawawa.

You will understand that even at 47, a son is still that little boy who skated on the backyard rink; who refused to eat his vegetables; and whose eyes lit up like an earthbound comet every Christmas morning.

And yes, that same Sgt. Maj. Rusk whose hulking presence fills a door today, is still that 13-year-old boy who was so unbelievably proud of a miniature hockey stick he received at a hockey camp, 35 years ago. A stick signed by everyone's boyhood idol, Paul Henderson.

Paul Henderson, hero of hockey's iconic '72 summit series between Canada and Russia.

Henderson, the player who like a latter day David, laid out the rumbling Russian bear with one quivering dart to the back of the twine, as seconds clicked to deadlock.

Warrant officer Rusk will be shipping out for Kandahar shortly.

It's a worrisome time for any soldier's mom.

Understandable then that Middlehurst was so focused on making this Christmas extra special for Rusk.

"Chris, when he was 12 or 13 went to hockey school one summer, and Paul Henderson gave each of the boys an autographed miniature hockey stick," says Middlehurst. "We've moved several times since then, and the stick has gone missing, and we've looked and looked, but we just can't find it.

"And I know that he [Rusk] still looks for it when he comes home, and I just thought, he's going to Afghanistan in January, and I wanted something special for Christmas for him. And I thought, 'if I could just give him another Paul Henderson stick,' and then all of a sudden I remembered, 'Scotty Morrison lives up here.'

"And you know, well, it was just incredible. I got the number from Hilary [Elia, a Community Care support worker and co-organizer, with Gebauer, of the annual Scotty Morrison Charity Hockey Tournament] and she assured me that he'd be happy to do it."

So Middlehurst phoned Morrison and left a voicemail. He was in Calgary visiting family at the time, but as soon as he got back he responded to Middlehurst's message.

"He phoned back and he said, 'I'll get you that stick,' and it was just so wonderful," says Middlehurst. "It just seemed like an impossible thing, but Scotty made it happen."

As she recounts the story, the tears again welling in her eyes, she stops just long enough to give Morrison another great big hug.

Morrison, who spent a long and illustrious NHL career as referee-in-chief, VP officiating, and later as chairman and CEO of the Hockey Hall of Fame, was self-effacing as ever, and loath to take much credit. He simply said that the stars just seemed to be aligned on this one.

"We really lucked in, because when I phoned Ron [Ellis], he said 'I'm meeting Paul this weekend,'" says Morrison. "And we were going to get a Hall of Fame stick, but we found that Chris was a Leafs' fan so we decided to use a Toronto Maple Leafs stick instead."

Morrison explains that Gebauer happened to be in Toronto recently and offered to pick it up. "Everything just seemed to work, because she was in the area and she just dropped into the Hall of Fame last week and picked up the stick and brought it back here to Haliburton in time for Christmas."

Middlehurst stops for a moment thinking about what this will mean for her son.

"He's got 29 years in [the military]," says Middlehurst. "He was 17 when he signed up, and he's done so well. So much training. He's been away from home for six months now, and he'll be in Afghanistan with the provincial reconstruction team for nine months. He's been presented with the Governor General's Award of Military Merit.

"He really believes in what he's doing, and he's done so well, I'm just so proud of him."

She says that this gift will mean a lot to Chris, but really, when you see that sparkle in those eyes, you can't help but succumb to a niggling notion that reinforces the old saw: "Better to give than to receive."

In this case, it's case closed.

"It was something, because I had second thoughts after I left that message on Scotty's phone," laughs Middlehurst. "When I left that message, I phoned a friend, and said that 'Maybe he'll think I'm nuts.'"

And in the end, that's what Christmas and giving's all about isn't it?

Leaving it all out there - on a tortured limb - for the ones you love.

And now, leaving the real perspective on this tale to Paul Henderson, no mean wielder of dreams himself.

Henderson left a wish for Chris on the autographed stick.

"To Chris – Keep safe my friend – Paul Henderson."

He signed it for Chris, but it stands as a message to all our troops, from one warrior to all those other warriors, out on that cold foreboding Afghan ice.

"Keep safe."

BUYING OR SELLING?

HOW TO CHOOSE A REALTOR 101

EXPERIENCE

We've got it with a combined total of 58 uninterrupted years in Haliburton County.

PERSONAL SERVICE

We don't list you and leave you. No chance of getting lost in the crowd.

COMMISSION RATES

Flexible rates offered, negotiable the time of listing.

WEB SITE

Check out our user friendly site at www.bowesandcocks.com.

If you want your property SOLD let us put our combined efforts to work for you. We are just a phone call away to arrange a no cost or obligation opinion of the value of your property in today's market.

Lynn Craigmyle Broker/Manager
Haliburton 457-2220
1-800-618-4822

NOT INTENDED TO SOLICIT PROPERTY NOW UNDER CONTRACT.

Darlene Reil Sales Representative
Wilberforce 448-2311
1-877-461-2047

BOWES & COCKS LIMITED, BROKERAGE
CAN WE EXPOSE YOUR PROPERTY AT THE COTTAGE LIFE SHOW TORONTO MARCH 26, 27, 28 2010?

Cut & Save

## 'S no trouble

The legacy of a snowstorm is a lot of work for the roads department. We spied some workers in the Head Lake parking lot removing snow early last week, long after the last flake had fallen.

Photo by Jenn Watt

DON'T DRINK & DRIVE

Don't ruin the holiday season in a moment of indulgence.
Drunk driving collisions not only destroy & devestate the lives of victims & their families, but it will also ruin the life of an impaired driver.

How does alcohol affect a driver?

Alcohol slows reflexes & hinders coordination. It may also cause drowsiness, can also cause double or multiple vision & reduces side vision.

NOT SURE IF YOU'VE HAD TOO MUCH TO DRINK?
THEN DON'T DRIVE!

CELEBRATE SAFELY.
PLEASE DON'T DRINK & DRIVE!

Call
GRUMPY'S TAXI
457-2276

Best Rates In The County

From All Of Us At Grumpy's We Wish You A Safe & Happy 2010

ROTARY EXCHANGE

# Local educator embarking on experience of a lifetime

## Fleming College's Sandra Dupret is off to India on Rotary exchange

**ANGELICA BLENICH**
*Staff reporter*

Sandra Dupret, principal of Fleming College in Haliburton, sits by the school's fireplace. Dupret is preparing to embark on a professional exchange to India in the New Year. Photo by Angelica Blenich.

For most residents of Haliburton, the month of January symbolizes snow up to your knees, backs aching from endlessly shoveling the driveway and wallets that are still recovering from overextending the credit cards during the holidays.

For Sandra Dupret, however, come January snow will be the last thing on her mind.

Principal of Haliburton's Fleming College, Dupret is one of a few individuals that have been selected to partake in an international exchange to India this upcoming January. The group study exchange, which is organized and financed by the Rotary club, has been created to help foster professional development and growth.

"It's a vocational exchange and the purpose of it is to develop goodwill and fellowships across international boundaries within individual vocations," says Dupret.

The experience offers participants international opportunities for both themselves and their career.

"It's directed towards 40 and under, so participants need to be somewhat near the beginning of their career journey," says Dupret. "It's to help you build relationships and to garner an understanding of how your job is conducted in another country, so you have an international appreciation of it."

The individuals involved in the exchange will spend more than four weeks immersing themselves in a new culture and environment.

> **"It's going to be a big adventure, I am excited and I'm nervous because it's just so different from Canada, but I think this is the best way to experience a culture ... You really get to see first hand what the culture is like from inside out."**
>
> **Sandra Dupret**

"We leave on the fifth of January and we come back on Feb. 6," says Dupret. "Right now it's a team of four individuals. For my vocation I will be visiting post-secondary institutions. So colleges, universities and art venues such as galleries and museums."

Besides gaining personal professional benefits, Dupret believes the exchange will offer exciting opportunities for students at Fleming.

"I will be trying to build some partnerships there and opportunities that may present themselves over there," she says. "For instance, to perhaps encourage an exchange for our students down the road."

Unlike leisurely trips to all-inclusive resorts, or cruises along the Caribbean, Dupret's foray into India will have her experiencing the culture and lifestyle firsthand.

"It's going to be a big adventure," says Dupret, who has never travelled to India before. "I am excited and I'm nervous because it's just so different from Canada, but I think this is the best way to experience a culture."

The exchange participants will be staying with host families during their time abroad, giving them the opportunity to observe the daily routines of what life is like for these individuals.

"You really get to see firsthand what the culture is like from the inside out," says Dupret. "When you're a visitor sometimes you just get that peripheral from the outside in perspective, forcing you to draw conclusions, or assume the way their culture might be."

Most importantly, Dupret hopes to gain a greater understanding of post-secondary education from an international perspective.

"That is the aspect I find most fascinating about my job," she says. "How is education different across the globe. This is a way of not just seeing a culture but experiencing a culture."

Dupret is travelling to India on behalf of the Haliburton club. Rotary offers the opportunity to participate in the exchange every year, however Dupret was holding her breath when the good news arrived in the summer.

"I'm 40, so this was the last year I qualified for this exchange," explains Dupret. "When I found out this past June I was pretty excited, but it seemed so far away. Even now that it's here it's still hard to wrap my head around."

Dupret believes the experiences she will gain from this trip will be valuable for a long time to come.

"This opportunity really demonstrates how the Rotary supports the community in non-direct ways," says Dupret.

"They really are investing in Haliburton."

# Bobsleds, ballots and box offices

echo editorial

jenn watt

CONTINUING the *Echo*'s pre-New Year's tradition, here are some of the things that will make us happy in 2010.

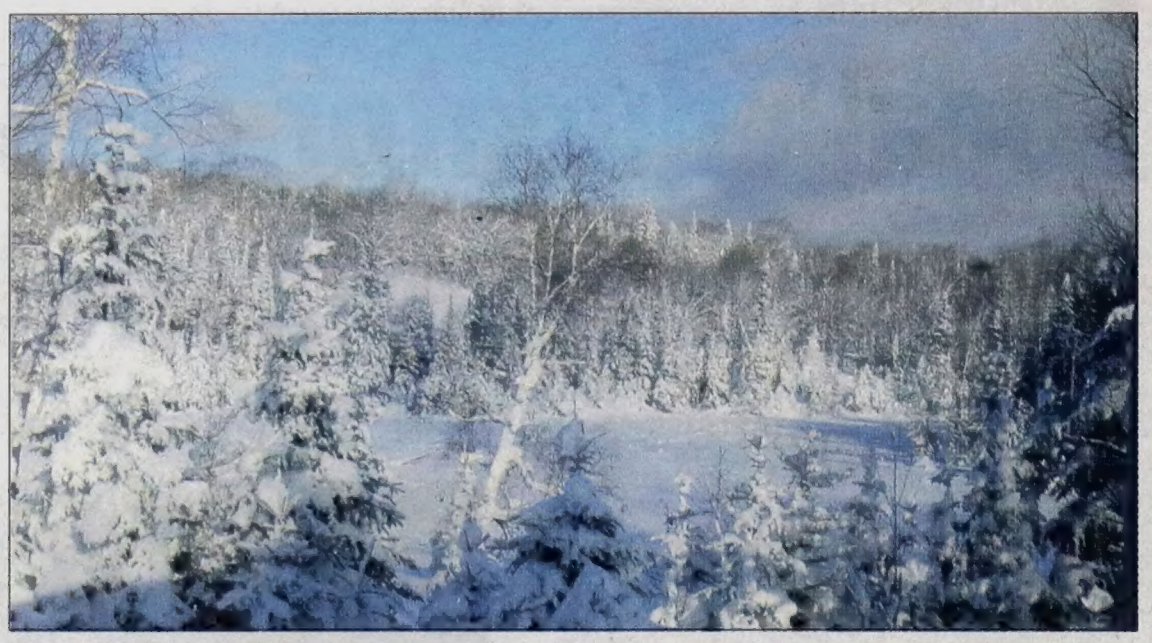
**The Winter Olympics and Paralympics:** Not only do they provide weeks of cheer in the middle of winter snowdrifts that have outstayed their welcome, but they also inspire. Watching the women's hockey team win gold again this winter may just persuade a kid to lace up her skates or a couch potato to learn how to skate.

Plus there are those cute red mittens (which are made in China – but that's another editorial).

**Municipal elections:** Choosing our most local representatives this fall is an emotional and incredibly important experience everyone of voting age should undertake. Election season means the issues most important to all of us get brought up publicly and our representatives have a chance to hear directly from us – through our pre-election forums, letters to the editor, phone calls and votes. It's also a time to liven things up and get some new blood into old politics.

**Movies:** This summer, all three theatres in the area will be up and running (we hope), giving us more selection and more air conditioning for the muggy months. The always dependable Kinmount Highland Cinema will continue to draw crowds from City of Kawartha Lakes and Haliburton, but so too will the Molou in Haliburton and the Beaver Theatre in Minden. The fate of those last two was in the balance only a year ago. Hooray for local theatres!

**Community kindness:** You can bank on 2010 mimicking and perhaps outdoing 2009 for community love. It has been written about many times in these pages, but we'll say it again: this community helps each other like no other. You can be sure that Relay for Life will break records, that local groups and grocery stores will collect food for the 4Cs, that the hospital foundation will keep installing ceiling lifts and new equipment, that Rotarians and Lions and Kinsmen and Masons and Legionnaires and Knights will fundraise and donate just as easily as they breathe. It's a Haliburton County thing and one that will continue in the new year and beyond.



Snow can be beautiful

*Photo by Jenn Watt*

# Joining the jet set

tales from Vinegar Hill

steve galea

THE ICE FISHING SEASON is here once again. Needless to say, this causes a person to reflect upon all the things that truly matter.

At times like this, you can't help but take a long, hard look at your life and the choices you've made.

Well, I went through that very exercise this morning and, after some soul searching, decided that a drastic change is needed. So, I'm buying a Jet Sled Senior. That's right, a Jet Sled Senior!

It's not that I have anything against my old ice-fishing toboggan, the Jet Sled Junior. We've had a few great seasons together and she's served me well. Having said that, I'd be dishonest if I didn't confess that I've outgrown her emotionally.

The Junior was fine when we first hooked up, but these days my ice fishing needs are far more sophisticated and complex; it's unfair to expect a Jet Sled Junior to fulfill them.

Nothing less than a Senior will do.

No doubt there are those who think I might be biting off more than I can chew. After all, we're talking about a Jet Sled Senior!

Well, all I can honestly say is that I'm ready. I've pulled that Junior to local ice-fishing destinations for more than five years now and I've never had any major incidents, if you discount that one time I rolled it coming down the hill to Esson Lake. But as everyone knows there are two kinds of ice-fishing sleds, those that have rolled and those that are going to.

I wasn't born yesterday. I acknowledge that the Senior is a completely different animal. I understand that just because a fellow knows how to handle a Junior doesn't necessarily mean he'll adapt to a bigger rig.

There's always the possibility that I might not be up to the challenge. Certainly, better men than me have folded under this kind of intense pressure.

But, darn it, this is something I need to do for myself. Yes, it's flamboyant. Sure I'll probably turn a few heads as I walk along the lake with Jet Sled Senior ice-fishing toboggan in tow. But I assure you, this is not just about the prestige.

If you must know, my ice fishing was getting a little stale of late. I needed to spice it up.

My buddies caution that this might be the opening salvo to a mid-life crisis. Maybe they're right; I've never been this wild and impetuous before. And though this just feels right, that's the one thing I worry about.

Say they're right. What's next? A new minnow bucket?

CANADA'S BEST COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER CIRCULATION 4,000 - 6,499 2007 CCNA AWARDS

THE HALIBURTON COUNTY ECHO
is published by Osprey Media Publishing Inc., a division of
SUN MEDIA A Quebecor Media Company
THE ECHO HALIBURTON COUNTY
146 Highland St., P.O. Box 360, Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0
PHONE: 705 457-1037 FAX: 705 457-3275
E MAIL: editor@haliburtonecho.ca.
Canada Post #400638862 Copyright 2009

**David Zilstra**, General Manager
**Jenn Watt**, Managing Editor
**Linda Emmerson**, Circulation
**Laurie Curry**, Accounting & Administration
**Chad Ingram, Angelica Bienich, Terrance Gavan**, Reporters
**Katrina Chvedukas**, Co-op student
**Angela Russell**, Reception/Classifieds
**Laura Smith, Sarah Adams**,
**Molly McInerney**, Ad sales
**Wanda Factley**, Editorial Layout, Graphic Design
**Kelly Findlay**, Pre-Press Coordinator
**Andrew Mogg**, Pre-Press Staff
*Forever in our memories: Creighton Feir*

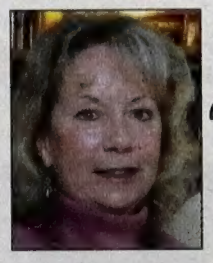
Subscriptions:
Local: $42
Ontario: $47.00
National: $60.00
Six month subscriptions available
(Prices incl. GST)

Advertising is accepted on condition that, in the event of an error, the portion of the ad occupied by the error, together with reasonable allowance for signature, will not be charged for, but the balance will be paid at the usual rate. It is the responsibility of the advertiser to check their ads on first publication, and the publisher accepts no responsibility for errors in multiple insertions.

*The Echo* reserves the right to reject or edit any advertisement likely to offend community standards and/or the laws of the land. **All material herein, including advertising design, is copyrighted, and may not be reproduced in any form.**

**Submit your letter to the editor by e-mail: editor@haliburtonecho.ca, or mail to or drop by the office at: 148 Highland St., P.O. Box 360, Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0, or by faxing to: 705-457-3275 Letters must be signed and include telephone number. Unsigned letters will not be published. Email must include name and telephone number. Letters may be edited for length and clarity.**

# Snow wrestling



*down our* **road**

*sharon lynch*

AT FIRST FRANK COULDN'T believe what he thought he was seeing. "Mildred, come quick. Look at this," he called, pointing out their large living-room window. It was snowing furiously, big gauzy flakes plummeting straight down as though made of lead. The lake had just frozen over the day before and so it was a world of white on the other side of the glass.

"What is it now?" came his wife's reply from the kitchen. She had just started cutting vegetables for the turkey soup and hated Frank's constant interruptions. Honestly, she muttered to herself, why can't he do woodworking or something and leave her alone. "Someone is out there by the lake wrestling with an animal. I think it's a fox. Mildred have you seen my glasses? I can't quite make it all out." Sighing deeply, Mildred put down her knife and walked into the other room. She glanced around for Frank's glasses and sure enough, they were in their usual spot by the phone. Frank was obviously too busy to search them out himself. He had his nose pressed almost against the window and was squinting with great determination at something or someone outside. Scooping up her husband's glasses, she moved over to his side to see what the fuss was about. Below them, a man's figure, bulky in a down jacket, was rolling around in a snow drift. Entangled in his arms and legs was an equally bulky furry shape. It only took a minute for Mildred to realize the furry shape was a woman in a fur coat. "Oh Frank, that's no animal. That's a woman in a fur coat. Here, put on your glasses and see if you know who they are." Without hesitation Frank quickly donned his specs and took another gander. Sure enough, a man and a fur-clad woman were twisting and laughing in the snow, their apparel growing whiter by the moment.

"Why they're the new teachers that just got engaged. Remember seeing their picture in the paper last week? Darn fools, if you ask me." Frank was feeling both crestfallen and embarrassed. No wild animal, only his failing eyesight for all the excitement. Mildred saw the mix of emotions trace across her husband's face in quick succession. Her heart softened. Poor Frank. He hated being wrong, hated looking foolish. The turkey soup could wait a little longer; she would stay and chat with him about this for a minute or two.

"They sure look like they're having a good time," she noted. "Hardly appear old enough to be out of high school, let alone teachers. At this rate, they'll look more like snowmen than anything else if they keep it up." Her last words elicited a smile from Frank. She continued, "Do you remember when we used to do such foolish things Frank? Remember mistaking poison ivy for periwinkle and both ending up in the hospital? I'll never forget that summer!" And despite herself, Mildred gave a little chuckle. Frank responded with a nod. "We sure were crazy back then. All because we had heard that rolling in periwinkle increased your appeal to the opposite sex. That was some joke my cousin Harry played on us, that's for sure."

For a moment they were both lost in recollection. There had been a time when life was surprising and fun and all the more because they shared it with each other. Now the calendar was about to turn over another year and their lives seemed consumed by the mundane. Mildred looked at Frank. She still loved him, even if he did try her patience at times. And she knew he still loved her, though he rarely said so anymore. Then just as she was finishing another deep sigh, Frank surprised her. "Hey Mildred," he asked with a twinkle in his eye, "Want to wrestle?"

## pic *of the* past

This photo isn't too old, maybe the 1970s? We are hoping to get some names to these smiling faces, and perhaps why the photo was taken.

## *letters* to the editor

# Thanks from the other side of the snow bank

**To the Editor,**

"Beyond the realm of duty...with great appreciation and gratitude"

On Friday night, Dec. 11, I returned to Haliburton on the 9:30 p.m. bus. Anticipating a frozen parked car in the Head Lake parking area, I was armed with a scraper. I did not expect to find just a mound of snow.

However, I gained entry, retrieved a small shovel and set to work.

Progress was slow, but a car drew up and offered help. It was the bus driver! I was astonished: after a long drive and with another one back down again at 8 a.m., Steve, the driver, went off, fetched a shovel and we set to work.

We had nearly cleared access to the back of the car when a front-end loader appeared. The operator quickly and efficiently completed the job and then departed without a word and I was unable to thank him – it must have been after 10:30 p.m. I am deeply grateful to both these gentleman who saved me a lot of trouble.

Unfortunately that was not the end of the saga. Driving home along Hwy. 118, I ran off the road, down a steep bank and buried the car in a deep snowdrift.

Well, I was rescued here by a kind couple who insisted on driving me home. I then learned that my rescuers were the publisher of this paper and his wife who were returning home. They drove me to my house on Busy Road and assisted me down the long driveway, which was over knee-deep in snow. Their unselfish kindness saved me much difficulty and trauma and I'm most grateful.

My sincere thanks to all these gentlemen and to the lady.

**Mark W.P. Cann**
**West Guilford**

**See more letters on page 8**

LETTERS

# December disappointment at foundation

**To: Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation**

Dear Mr. Don Popple, Co-Chair

Today I read the *Haliburton Echo* newspaper. I am surprised it arrived the same week that it was published (sometimes they arrive much later). Anyway, do you recall that five-year drive you had years ago, to pay-off the debt for a new hospital?

I certainly did not forget Haliburton Hospital in all those five years' worth.

I even recall writing a special note saying your words (Mr. Don Popple) got to me (one year) and I will donate, again.

I do not know who was in charge then but everyone was acknowledged properly for their donation.

Newsletters were published with the names of all donors, big ($$$$) to small ($$).

On the bottom of the newsletter it stated: We sincerely apologize for any errors or omissions from the "Bear With Us" list of generous donors. Please notify the Foundation office.

Now that you have your debt paid-up/off why should we help with donations in the year 2009, then?

Perhaps we would like to keep helping out the Haliburton Hospital with pride.

I noticed in the December issues that names are published of people who helped your hospital.

I also noticed that my name is not in any *Echo* issue as a donator.

A lot of those names seem familiar as local names.

It would be nice for the town of Haliburton to see the names of all the donators, seasonal included.

Certainly I did not donate for the publicity part but I would have liked it if a local person read the newspaper and said, "Hey, look: an out-of-towner donates to our hospital foundation."

Why else would you print the names of donators? Is it not for the fact that they can walk around town with pride that they helped out the hospital? Sure it is.

I don't know what other words I can write to show you how disappointed I am with the non-inclusion.

Not only for myself, for I am sure that amount raised was with more names not mentioned.

If the names were only of ones who donated a pretty large sum then it should be mentioned, also.

Disappoint: to fail to satisfy the hope, desire or expectation of.

Reading the December issue(s) are what I entitle this letter: December disappointment.

**Yours truly, Rosa Mattless**
**Cottager of the Haliburton Highlands**

GEORGE'S auto
Servicing All Makes & Models
WE WILL PAY THE GST FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER

| | |
|---|---|
| 2007 GMC SIERRA Z71<br>Ext Cab, black, 4x4<br>72,000 kms, mint<br>$22,300 | 2005 CHEV MALIBU<br>Auto, 4 door, immac. cond.<br>$8,795 |
| 2006 FORD XLT EXT CAB 4X4<br>118,000 km.<br>$17,900 | 2006 FORD ESCAPE XLT<br>4x4, 4 door, white, 90,000 km.<br>$13,900 |
| 2007 CHEV AVEO<br>4 door, blue, 5spd<br>40,000 km.<br>$7,695 | 2005 GMC Z71 EXT CAB<br>Loaded, Immaculate,<br>56,000 km.<br>$19,900 |
| 2003 JEEP WRANGER TJ<br>4X4, 2 Door, 5 Spd,<br>137,000 km.<br>$10,900 | 2006 GMC SIERRA Z71 EXT CAB<br>5.3L engine, 4x4, 65,000 km.<br>$20,900 |
| 2006 PONTIAC PURSUIT<br>4 cyl., 4 door, air, auto,<br>67,000 km.<br>$6,995 | 2005 CHEV COBALT<br>4 dr., 4 cyl., air, auto,<br>90,000 km.<br>$6,295 |
| 2005 PONTIAC PURSUIT<br>4 door, 4 cyl., air, auto,<br>72,000 km.<br>$6,395 | 2003 PONTIAC GRAND AM<br>4 door, 4 cyl., auto, air,<br>130,000 km.<br>$4,395 |

Corner of Hwy 21 & Industrial Park Road
457-1717
UCDA UCDA

457-1160
ANTIQUES & NEAT STUFF
One of a kind gifts, unique accents
Annual Boxing Week Sale
From Noon SAT Dec 26 - Sun Jan 3, 2010
Open weekends until Jan 31, Then closed til April, 2010
Storewide Discount up to 65% OFF
Neat Stuff
Industrial Rd. & County Rd.21 - Haliburton
Lots Of Great, Neat Stuff

Check out our website and photo gallery
www.haliburtonecho.ca

Domain of Killien

A Starry Night, A Crackling Fire & Soufflé

DINNER AT THE DOMAIN OF KILLIEN

$44.00 PER PERSON
plus tax and service charge
For Reservations call
1-800-390-0769 or
705-457-1100
domainofkillien.com

NEW HOURS

# Haliburton museum cuts back for winter

**TERRANCE GAVAN**
*Staff reporter*

Haliburton Highlands Museum director Tom Ballantyne is only coming in one day per week these days, the shortened hours the result of some cost–saving measures undertaken by the museum board and municipal council.

Ballantyne said that he was effectively laid off in mid-November, but it's his understanding that he will be working one day per week, probably until March when the museum will reopen, presumably, with its full slate of spring and fall hours.

The museum curator Stephen Hill was also laid off, but that falls in line with previous practice, as Hill has for the past several years been laid off in November, returning in March.

Regular winter hours for the Haliburton Highlands Museum have been from Wednesday to Saturday between the hours of 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Regular spring and fall hours are advertised from Tuesday to Saturday, and the regular summer hours are Tuesday to Sunday – between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.

The museum is located on Bayshore Acres Rd. near Glebe Park hiking and skiing trails.

Ballantyne was at the museum last Monday when the *Echo* phoned, and would only say that he is effectively laid off – working one day a week – until further notice.

"Right now it looks like I will be working on Thursdays only," said Ballantyne, and he explained that he will probably know more after the next meeting of the museum board slated for Jan. 14 at 9:30 a.m.

Ballantyne said that like a lot of arts-oriented programs, the museum has been hit hard by the economic downturn, but he also mentioned that low winter attendance numbers at the Highlands Museum have been a point of contention with council and the museum board.

Councillor Derek Knowles is the Dysart et al council representative on the museum board and he told the *Echo* last Tuesday evening that he was really not in a position to comment on the situation until after the board meets on Jan. 14.

Knowles said that he will not be available to attend that meeting, but would be privy to the board report and would withhold comment until he has had a chance to look at the minutes from the meeting and discuss the issue with the board members and board chair Nancy Stinson.

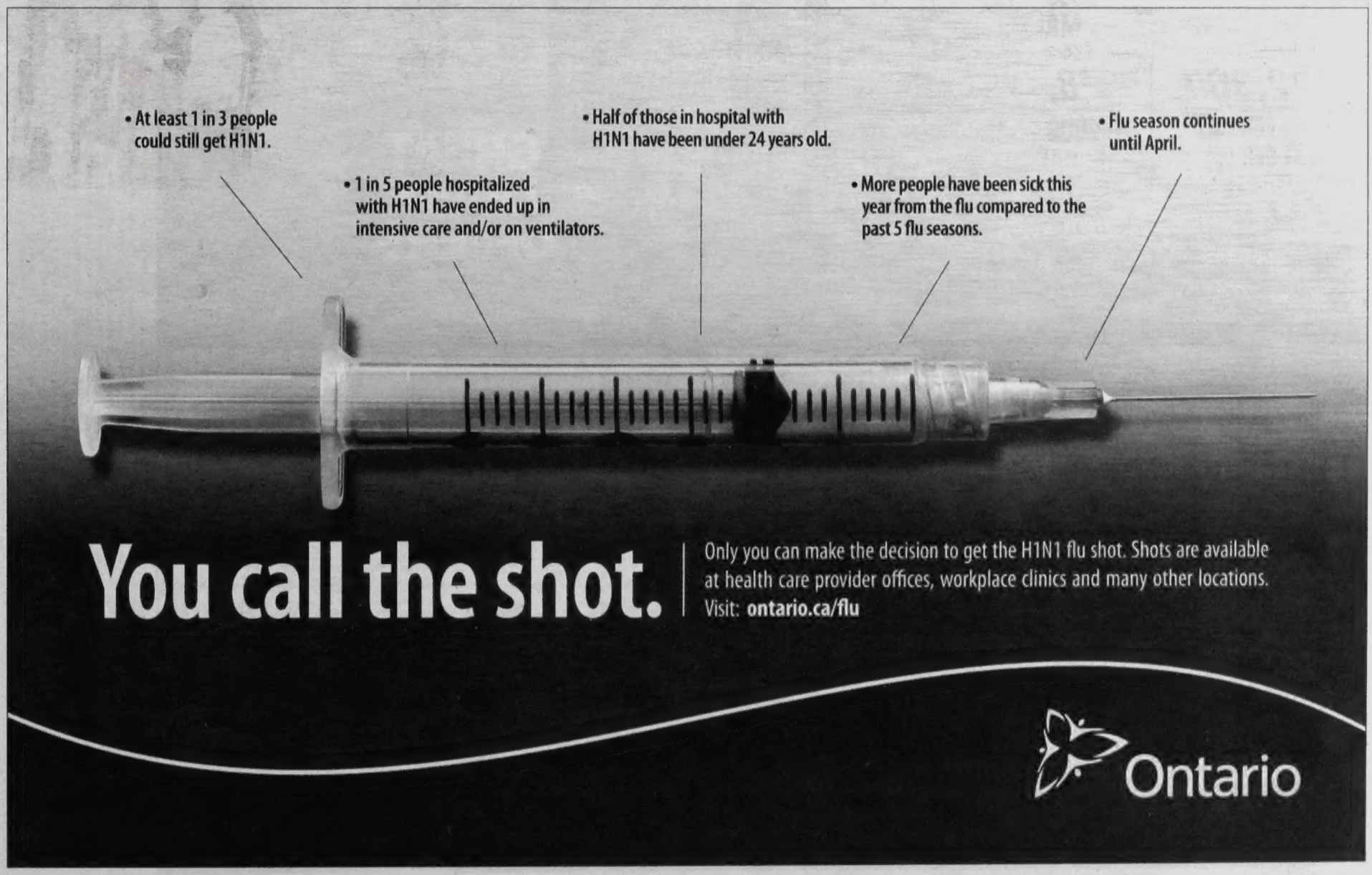
Stinson confirmed that Hill is laid off, but specified that Ballantyne would be coming in for that one day per week. "We need someone to oversee everything," said Stinson. "And as far as I know, I think Thursday will be the day he'll be in, and he'll be accessible to anyone who comes in."

She explained that a planned December meeting of the museum board was cancelled due to weather and said that the Jan. 14 meeting was the earliest the five board members could meet to discuss and finalize the new winter hours scheduling and some other budgetary concerns.

She allowed that the new hours were undertaken as a cost-cutting measure, and underlined that the museum is contemplating a return to full working status in March.

"We are under the umbrella of the municipality, but as a board we can decide hours," said Stinson. She said that the museum operates through funding grants from the municipality and the province.

"We haven't had verification yet," Stinson said. "But I'm thinking it will be up and running again in March."



BUILT FORD TOUGH GET IN and DRIVE
YEAR-END EVENT

HURRY! IT ALL ENDS JANUARY 4th

CANADA'S BEST-SELLING TRUCK
2010 F-150

SHOWN WITH XTR PACKAGE

6-SPEED AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION • BEST IN CLASS PAYLOAD** • BEST IN CLASS TOWING** • AVAILABLE TAILGATE STEP
• SIRIUS SATELLITE RADIO WITH 6-MONTH PRE-PAID SUBSCRIPTION† • TRAILER SWAY CONTROL AND LOTS MORE...

2010 F-150 SUPERCAB XLT 4X4 WITH AUTO

OWN FOR ONLY $27,999 AFTER $9,400 PRICE ADJUSTMENT
OFFER EXCLUDES FREIGHT.

OR GREAT LEASE OFFERS
AVAILABLE ON ALL 2010 F-150

2010 F-150 REGULARCAB
STARTING FROM
$18,999*
WITH AIR, AUTOMATIC, V8 AND MORE!
After $5,600 in price adjustments.
Offer excludes freight. Factory order may be required.

SuperCab Sport Model Shown

2010 FORD RANGER
STARTING FROM
$12,999*
After $2,000 in price adjustments.
Offer excludes freight. Factory order may be required.

COSTCO MEMBERS GET AN
ADDITIONAL
$1,000 OFF
LIMITED TIME OFFER ON MOST 2010 FORD VEHICLES▲
VISIT FORDCOSTCO.CA OR YOUR LOCAL DEALER FOR DETAILS.

Introducing The Ford Recycle Your Ride Program
Recycle your 1995 or older vehicle and receive up to $3,300
of additional incentives over and above those currently offered when combined with the $300 available from the Government of Canada's Retire Your Ride program. Incentives range from $1000 to $3000. Visit ford.ca for details.

SIRIUS SATELLITE RADIO
† Available in most new Ford vehicles with 6-month pre-paid subscription.

HURRY INTO YOUR ONTARIO FORD STORE
TO GET IN AND DRIVE CANADA'S TOUGHEST TRUCK.

ontarioford.ca

Ford Drive one.

Offers are available at participating dealers only. Dealer may sell or lease for less. Factory order may be required. Limited time offers. Offers may be cancelled at any time without notice. See participating dealer for details. The Ford Get in and Drive Year-End Event ("Year-End Event") is in effect from November 1, 2009 to January 4, 2010 at participating Ford of Canada Dealerships. During the Year-End Event one or more combinations of $0 first month's payment, 0% Annual Percentage Rate (APR) purchase financing for up to 60 months, $0 down payment or $0 due at signing will apply to the purchase finance or lease of select new 2010 Ford vehicles. Offers vary by model and not all combinations will apply. Offers are available to customers taking retail incentives and may only be available on approved credit (O.A.C.) from Ford Credit. Purchase financing and lease offers include freight and air tax, but exclude license, fuel fill charge, insurance, PPSA, Stewardship Ontario Environmental Fee, registration, administration fees and all applicable taxes. These offers are subject to vehicle availability and may be cancelled at any time without notice. Dealer may sell or lease for less. Limited time offers. Some conditions apply. See your Ford Dealer for complete details. *Cash purchase a new 2010 Ford F-150 SuperCab XLT 4x4 with automatic/Ranger FX2/F-150 Regular cab XL for $27,999/$12,999/$18,999 after total price adjustment of $9,400/$2,000/$5,600 deducted (total price adjustment is made up of $3,000/$2,000/$5,000 delivery allowance and $2,400/$0/$600 price adjustment). Offer excludes freight ($1,650/$1,400/$1,650), air tax, license, insurance, registration, Stewardship Ontario Environmental Fee, PPSA, fuel fill charge, administration fees and all applicable taxes. These offers are subject to vehicle availability and may be cancelled at any time without notice. Dealer may sell or lease for less. Limited time offers. Some conditions apply. See your Ford Dealer for complete details. **Based on latest comparable competitive data. Class is Full-Size Pickups under 8,500 lbs GVWR. Best-in-class towing when properly equipped with Max Trailer Tow Package (not available on STX). Best-in-class payload when properly equipped with Heavy Duty Payload Package (select availability on XL and XLT Regular Cab, Sport Trac, and $1,000 F150-550). E-Series, Expedition, MKZ, MKS, MKX, MKT, Navigator). If you qualify, the Government of Canada will provide you with $300 cash or a rebate on the purchase of a 2004 and newer vehicle as part of their Retire Your Ride program. These Ford Recycle Your Ride incentives are only in effect from September 2nd to January 4th, 2010. Ford Recycle Your Ride incentives are non-transferable. Ford Recycle Your Ride incentives are not available on any vehicle receiving Commercial Fleet Incentive Program, Competitive Price Allowance or Government Price Concession. Fleet Delivery Allowance, or Daily Rental Incentives. By participating in this program you will not be eligible for any trade-in value for your old vehicle. The Government of Canada's "Retire Your Ride program" is not available to residents of Northwest Territories, Yukon or Nunavut and, therefore, Ford Recycle Your Ride incentives are also not available to residents of North West Territories, Yukon or Nunavut. Other provincially specific rewards may be available in association with the government's "Retire Your Ride program", for more information visit retireyourride.ca. Limited time offers, see dealer for details or call the Ford Customer Relationship Centre at 1-800-565-3673. ©2009 Ford Motor Company of Canada, Limited. All rights reserved. †Class is full size pickup. Based on September 2009 year-to-date vehicle sales data from R.L. Polk Canada, Inc. "

A LITTLE HELP

# Food for Kids needs financial assistance

Food for Kids, Haliburton County's student nutrition program, now in its 11th year, finds itself in the unusual position of needing additional financial assistance to ensure that its programs continue to the end of this school year. With more than 4,000 snacks and/or breakfasts being provided each week to students in all schools in the county, Food for Kids receives base funding from the Ministry of Children and Youth Services and our school board, but relies on other grants and community donations to complete their funding needs.

Rosie Kadwell, dietitian with the HKPR Health Unit and chair of the Food for Kids steering committee, is confident that when the people in Haliburton County know about the current financial crunch, they will come forward. "We have always had frequent and amazing contributions to individual schools and to our community funds account and we believe that when the people of Haliburton and especially local businesses and community organizations find out that we need help now, they will come forward and keep Food for Kids going and growing."

She added that the Haliburton County student nutrition program is essential to student learning. "The teachers in our schools not only support Food for Kids but cannot imagine the elimination or even the lessening of any of our programs." Rosie shared the following thoughts from a teacher at Wilberforce Elementary School: "Student feeding programs [Food for Kids] is the best thing. I have been at this school for nine years and once the breakfast and snack program was implemented, I noticed a big difference in the students' ability to focus and learn. They are more alert and the test scores went up. I would cry if we lost these programs."

Karen Phipps, coordinator of the Food for Kids program works first hand with schools and volunteers. Karen, who is also a teacher at Cardiff Elementary School, states, "Food for Kids is there for the children who do not eat breakfast before they come to school and for those who may, after long bus rides continue to be hungry on arrival. Food for Kids ensures that no student comes to school too hungry to learn."

Haliburton County needs Food for Kids. Haliburton County is the poorest county in Ontario. The research document *Social Determinants of Health in Haliburton – A Report Card*, April 2009 states that 4.1 to 4.5 per cent of households in Haliburton County use one of the four food banks on a monthly basis. The provincial average for food bank use is three per cent and all our county banks have continued to report increased use in the last six months. Research also indicates that many more families who need food do not access the food banks.

Food for Kids makes a real difference in the health and learning of children. Please give consideration to having your workplace, your service group or your community organization "take up" Food for Kids as its charity project for 2010. Our children need Food for Kids and Food for Kids needs you!

For more information about Food for Kids or to access the above-mentioned report please contact Rob Stonehouse at 457-1311. You can also mail your donation to Point in Time-Food for Kids, Box 1306 Haliburton K0M 1S0. Charitable tax receipts will be issued for donations over $10.

*Press release submitted by Gail Stelter, Publicity and Media Rep. - Food for Kids Steering Committee*

www.haliburtonecho.ca

**Pinestone Resort & Conference Centre would like to celebrate with you!**
To Book Reservations call 457-5087 Extension 4120

**New Year's Eve Magical Family Gala**
Thursday December 31st 6:30 pm-Grand Ballroom

A fun filled evening for the entire family featuring:
two delectable buffets (one for kids, one for adults),
Interactive magician, Outdoor campfire with marshmallow and hot chocolate for all.
Dinner, Show & Campfire
Adults-*$59.95/kid's $ 28.95/ Children 5 and Under $ 9.95

~

First Night Celebration Dinner
Thursday December 31st
Join us in the Heatherwood Restaurant
for a 5-course intimate dinner then
dance in the New Year in Highlanders Lounge.

~

Eye Opener Brunch
Friday January 1st 10:30 am to 2:00 pm
Enjoy a delicious brunch featuring an extravagant selection of culinary creations. *$ 19.95

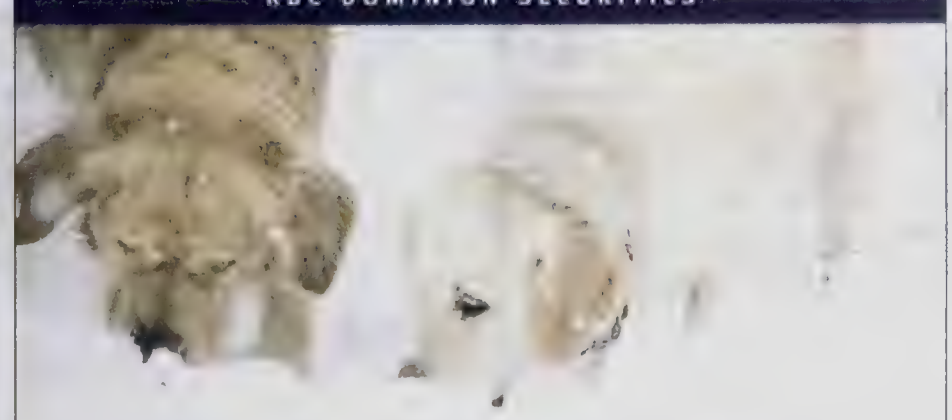
*Prices quoted throughout are per person and do not include applicable taxes and gratuity.

Reservations/information
call (705) 457-1800

PINESTONE
RESORT & CONFERENCE CENTRE
www.pinestone-resort.com

NEW YEAR'S EVE MAGICAL FAMILY GALA

RBC DOMINION SECURITIES



*Welcome to our New Digs!*

RBC Dominion Securities in Haliburton has moved to a new location:

**The Village Court**
**Suite 6**
**49 Maple Avenue**
**Haliburton, Ontario**

Feel free to drop by or contact us at
**705-457-4805 | 1-800-251-0498**
**Elizabeth.Tuck@rbc.com | www.elizabethtuck.com**

Professional Wealth Management Since 1901

RBC Dominion Securities

RBC Dominion Securities Inc.* and Royal Bank of Canada are separate corporate entities which are affiliated. *Member CIPF ®Registered trademark of Royal Bank of Canada. Used under licence. RBC Dominion Securities is a registered trademark of Royal Bank of Canada. Used under licence. ©Copyright 2009 All rights reserved.

Ford

GET IN and DRIVE
YEAR-END EVENT

HURRY! IT ALL ENDS JANUARY 4th

RIGHT NOW, IT'S EASY TO DRIVE AWAY
THE BEST FORD VEHICLES EVER.

0% APR UP TO 72 MONTHS PURCHASE FINANCING
$0 DOWN PAYMENT
$0 DUE AT DELIVERY††
PLUS
$0 1ST MONTHS PAYMENT†

Offers vary by model. Not all combinations apply. See dealer for details.

WITH *ON-THE-ROAD PRICING*,
ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS PICK YOUR VEHICLE AND GET IN AND DRIVE.

2010 FORD FOCUS SE
YOUR ON-THE-ROAD PURCHASE OFFER
$133 @ 0%
$0 DOWN PAYMENT.
$0 FIRST MONTH'S PAYMENT.†
PLUS FREIGHT AND AIR TAX.
GET 0% APR PURCHASE FINANCING FOR UP TO 72 MONTHS.

On Fuel

2010 FORD FUSION SE
YOUR ON-THE-ROAD PURCHASE OFFER
$184 @ 2.99% APR
Twice a month financed over 72 months
$0 DOWN PAYMENT
$0 FIRST MONTH'S PAYMENT.†

OR GET
0% APR PURCHASE FINANCING Up To 60 Months
On Most 2010 Fusion models

On Fuel
61mpg - 4.6L/100km (city)
52mpg - 5.4L/100km (Hwy)
Fusion Hybrid**
30mpg - 9.4L/100km (city)
41mpg - 6.9L/100km (Hwy)
Fusion SE Manual**

2010 MOTOR TREND CAR OF THE YEAR

COSTCO MEMBERS GET AN
ADDITIONAL $1,000 OFF
LIMITED TIME OFFER ON MOST 2010 FORD VEHICLES.''

2010 Fusion 2010 Taurus 2010 Ranger 2010 F-150

VISIT FORDCOSTCO.CA OR YOUR LOCAL DEALER FOR DETAILS

The Ford Recycle Your Ride Program

Recycle your 1995 or older vehicle and receive up to $3,300

of additional incentives over and above those currently offered when combined with the $300 available from the Government of Canada's Retire Your Ride program. Incentives range from $1000 to $3000. Visit ford.ca for details

HURRY INTO YOUR ONTARIO FORD STORE TO GET IN AND DRIVE AWAY YOUR FAVOURITE FORD.

ontarioford.ca

Ford Drive one.

# Century 21®

**Granite Realty Group Ltd.**
Real Estate Brokerage

## Three Offices Serving Haliburton County

**Haliburton 457-2128**
**Minden 286-2138**
**Carnarvon 489-9968**

## The Local Experts™

**Prime Retail Location! $619,000**

5600 sq ft commercial building on a very high traffic location in the heart of Haliburton's industrial community, loads of space and parking, 2.28 acres

Erin Nicholls 457-2128 x 34

**OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS - $485,000**

Vendor will consider V.T.B to right buyer for this Main Street, Haliburton building. Keep long-term tenants for steady income or take advantage of investment possibilities.

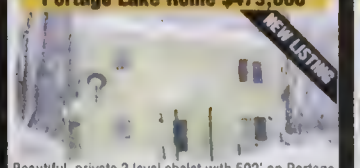
Deborah Deremo 457-2128 x 58

**Room to Roam! 189,000**

Room to Roam! Over 7 acres of land, close to snowmobile trails and minutes from town, this super family home has 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, large family room, spacious country kitchen, screened in room, double attached garage! Welcome Home!

Derrell & Kim Stamp 457-2128 x 24

**Portage Lake Home $479,000**




Beautiful, private 3 level chalet with 502' on Portage Lake Year round home features large deck, sauna, fireplace, built-in appliances, wood floors and a spectacular garage!

Andrew Hodgson 286-2138 x 29

**Halbiem Cres. $979,900**

Amazing executive waterfront home on 5 lake chain, renovated 2008, open concept, family home, or possible B&B, a must see

Tom Wilkinson 286-2138 x 25

**Gull Lake Lot $155,000**

Building lot with western exposure and a fantastic view, Shallow, sand and gravel shoreline, Easy access off Highway 35.

Anne Moulton 286-2138 x 24

**3 Lake Chain $399,900**

This cozy 3 BR cottage on 12 Mile Lake boasts wood floors, cathedral pine ceilings, impressive B.C. Fir Beams, and a woodstove complemented by stone backing

Mark Dennys – 457-2128 x 30

**7 Acres on Maple Lake $339,000**

Private, 3 BR home with year round 2 bedroom guest house. 160' on Maple lake with 7 acre beautiful lot set back from the road. Towering pines and sandy beach.

Tom Ecclestone 286-2138 x 26

**Moore Lake $349,000**

Wonderful 2+ bedroom home, full finished basement, attached garage, paved drive, central air, level lot 3 lake chain, big lake view

David Lee 286-2138 x 27

**New Eagle Lake Home! $299,000**

3 BR, 2 bath, Guildcrest home close to Sir Sam's. Over 2 acres with year-round access Propane fireplace and jacuzzi tub

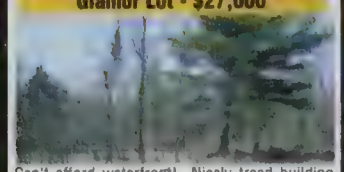
Andrea Wilson 457-2128 x 25

**Kushog Lake $219,000**

2 BR cedar Panabode features new wood stove, electric furnace, heated water line, and beautiful view of Kushog Lake, a great lot just over 4 1/2 acres on year round municipal road

Lee Gauthier 489-9968

**Glamor Lot - $27,000**



Can't afford waterfront! Nicely treed building lot with access to 2 lakes! Glamor Lk beach near by. Billings Lk is less than 2 km. away. Need I say more!

Janice Brookes 457-2128 x 22

**Maple Lake $529,000**

Stunning custom 3 BR boasts gourmet kitchen, great room with gas fireplace, studio, screened room and so much more situated on a luscious 1.5 acre lot accessed from year round road

Dagmar Boetcher 489-9968

**Beautiful Country Lot $109,900**

3 season cottage with 2BR, on a gently sloping private lot with 115 feet frontage on the Irondale River – great canoeing & Kayaking! A nature lover's paradise!

Greg Stamp 457-2128 x 28

**Farquhar Lake $314,800**

Excellent 3 BR cottage featuring south exp year round road, 11 acres & 720' lake frontage with sandy beach area Also includes a large deck, dock & garage

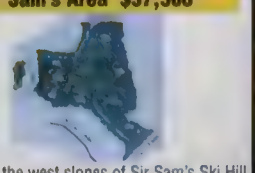
Wilfred VanLieshout - 457-2128 x 27

**Minden Starter Home $99,900**

Well cared for, cozy one bedroom plus den home very close to town on almost ½ an acre. Main floor laundry, circular drive, year round municipal road, appliances included.

Ann Moulton 286-2138 x 24

**Sir Sam's Area $57,500**



Located on the west slopes of Sir Sam's Ski Hill this lot features a deeded ski in, ski out privilege & life time family ski membership. Beach & Spa mere minutes away.

Drew Bishop - 457-2128 x 23

**Kushog Lake $349,000**

Charming 3 BR cottage on well treed lot with 190' of water ftg with good docking for all the toys. 14 miles of boating, great fishing lake and clean sand shoreline.

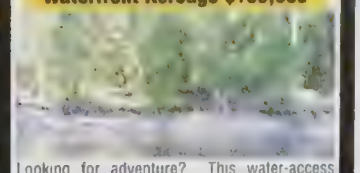
Ed Gibbons 286-2138 x 28

**Great Country Getaway $149,900**

Charming 3 Bedroom home featuring open concept interior & stone fireplace. Will be moved onto a brand new walkout basement New septic. Year round Access! Very Private Lovely treed setting

Karen Nimigon 457-2128 x 29

**Waterfront Acreage $199,900**



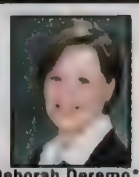
Looking for adventure? This water-access property has 39 acres and over 700 frontage on an excellent 2-lake chain (Long/Miskwabi) NW exposure, nice sand & rock shoreline

Suzanne James & Andy Mosher 457-2128 x 33

Drew Bishop** 457-2128 x 23

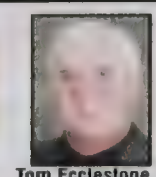
Janice Brookes * 457-2128 x 22

Dagmar Boettcher* 489-9968



Deborah Deremo** 457-2128 x 58

Mark Dennys * 457-2128 x 30



Tom Ecclestone * 286-2138 x 26

Tom Gardner * 286-2138 x 30

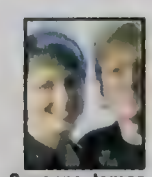
Lee Gauthier ** 489-9968

Ed Gibbons * 286-2138 x 28

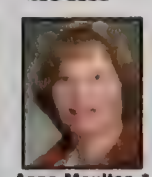
John Hincks ** 286-2138

Andrew Hodgson* 286-2138 x 29

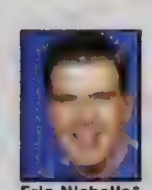
David Lee * 286-2138 x 27



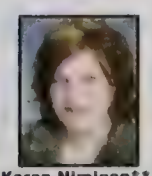
Susanne James * & Andy Mosher ** 457-2128 x 33



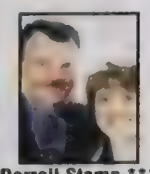
Anne Moulton * 286-2138 x 24



Erin Nicholls* 457-2128 x 34



Karen Nimigon** 457-2128 x 29



Derrell Stamp *** & Kim Stamp ** 457-2128 x 24

Greg Stamp * 457-2128 x 28

Paul Szpik * 457-2128 x 31

Wilfred VanLieshout** 457-2128 x 27

Tom Wilkinson ** 286-2138 x 25

Andrea Wilson* 457-2128 x 25

**www.century21granite.com • info@century21granite.com**

*Sales Representative **Broker ***Broker of Record | Each office is Independently Owned & Operated ® & ™ Registered Trademark of Century 21 Real Estate Corporations Used Under Licence. ®

Laura Redman, right, of the YWCA Women's Centre of Haliburton hosted the first annual awards ceremony for local women at the Beaver Theatre on Dec. 6. Rosie Kadwell, left, was among the recipients. /Photo submitted by Peter Redman.

YWCA

# First Guardian Angel awards make positive a grim anniversary

We had a wonderful turnout of 74 people on a snowy evening in Minden at our first annual YWCA Guardian Angel Awards held at the Beaver Theatre on Dec. 6. The Outloud Womyn's Voices sang beautifully and the male discussion panel that included Sgt. Mike Landry, Haliburton OPP; Terry Goodwin, Haliburton-based probation officer; Peter Ferri, vice-principal Archie Stouffer Elementary School; Merv Everall, retired Anglican minister and former high school principal; and Dan Bajorek, program manager at Point in Time offered some really positive and relevant points including:

- A need to change/watch our language around "isms" so we're not labelling or stereotyping
- Offenders move to rural areas to isolate their spouses
- Men can and will talk if given support, role models and safety within expressing their feelings and emotions
- Continuous training is happening within the OPP regarding victims
- The OPP are bringing back special officers who will work more closely to mentor and befriend youth

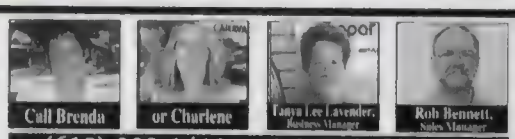
Our 2009 Guardian Angel award recipients were chosen for their work in support of other women in Haliburton County. They were:

- Rosie Kadwell, health unit nutritionist
- Stephanie Foster, a 21-year-old dynamo born and raised in Minden, a volunteer in many organizations and auxiliary OPP as well as working on her degree and plans to join the OPP next year
- Pauline Knott, school board student services worker
- Linda Mintz, SIRCH healthy baby, healthy mom program and who also runs other programs and support groups for young mothers at risk
- Heather Ross environmentalist and former HERS committee member who was unable to attend the evening, but had a friend accept on her behalf and read a message from Heather.

We laid roses for the women who died in Montreal and an honorary rose for the 15 women who have been killed so far this year in domestic violence incidents. Many attendees came up to introduce themselves at the end of the event, and to say how wonderful, heartwarming and positive it was for a Dec. 6 event.

*Submitted by Laura Redman, volunteer and events developer at the YWCA Women's Centre of Haliburton*


Vance Motors




(613) 332-1410 • 1-800-55 VANCE

CHRISTMAS SPECIALS

2006 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE
GREAT IN SNOW!!! 6 CY AUTO ALL POWER FEATURES VERY CLEAN CONDITION! STK# 1454
SALE PRICED 18,990*

2006 CHEVY EQUINOX AWD
GREAT IN THE SNOW! 6 CY, AUTO FULLY LOADED SUN ROOF AND MUCH MORE. STK # 1449
SALE PRICED 19,990*

2004 FORD FOCUS WGN SE
SUPER GAS SAVER! LOTS OF ROOM FOR THE KIDS & THEIR GEAR AIR HEATED SEATS POWER LOCKS AND MORE. STK # 1469
SALE PRICED 7,990*

* SALE PRICES ARE PLUS TAXES LIC ADMIN EXTRA SEE DEAL FOR MORE DETAILS

www.vancemotors.com • Station & Hastings Street, Downtown Bancroft



Attention Parents & Grandparents

If your BABY was born in 2009 it's time to show them off!!!

Here's how to be included on

Tuesday, January 26, 2010

The Haliburton Echo will publish a special page in **full colour** to show off the babies of 2009. Please fill out this form below and include photo and payment or stop by our office
Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm
Cost $25 plus GST. or $45 plus GST for both Echo & Times Publications
Deadline for photos is **12 noon January 20, 2010**
Pre-payment required. We accept:
Cheque • Cash • Visa • Mastercard • Interac

Child's Name: _____
Date Of Birth: _____
Parent's Names: _____
Address: _____ Postal Code:: _____
Phone: _____
Card No.: _____ Expiry Date: _____
Signature: _____

**Sophie May Graham**
November 16, 2009 7lbs 13 oz
Proud Parents -
Michelle Miscio & Neil Graham

★ Bonus! ★

As an added bonus all submissions for this feature will be entered into a draw for a **free one year subscription** to The Haliburton Echo

Please bring it in to our office or send to:
The Haliburton Echo
146 Highland St. Haliburton ON K0M 1S0
Phone: (705) 457-1037
arussell@mindentimes.ca

# Fun, funny cookies another dimension of Sloan's art

*from page 1*

name angst, and, apparently, is also drawn to the somewhat quixotic juxtaposition of a Fender Telecaster butted against the brooding bouquet of a beloved but moody perennial.

Prince loved Sloan's painting, bought it and – knowing what we know about the fickle shopping habits of multi-millionaire rock-and-roll legends – he probably has absolutely no recollection of the purchase today.

So he'll probably never know the profound effect that $500 sale had on Sloan's life and career. Sloan, talking from her home on Big Hawk Lake last week, says that when the gallery curator phoned to tell her about the purchase it came as a little bit of a shock. In a good way, mind.

"I wasn't there when it happened and they called me from the gallery and told me," says Sloan. "It opened a few doors for me, and it was, I guess, a feather in my cap. It [Art on King – now Art on Queen] was the first gallery where I was actually selling my paintings. That was kind of exciting and I thought, well, maybe I can earn a living doing this."

Now living in the Highlands on the Big Hawk with her 11-year-old son Alex and husband, Rylie, Sloan has never once regretted that life-affirming decision. Her Wallflower Studio is a regular stop on the Haliburton Studio Tour and she is a vibrant and outgoing member of the Highlands arts community.

Her art consists mainly of acrylic on canvas, and *papier mâché* sculpture. Her work is on display in private and corporate collections both here in Canada and internationally.

But the arts can be a remorseless taskmaster – and an even crueler employer – so it's always best to keep one's eyes on the horizon.

Recessionary downturns, and the drop in discretionary spending they engender, always seem to hit the arts community like a sledgehammer.

So Sloan was very happy to get a phone call recently from a far-flung locale: New Jersey, to be exact.

The caller, Sabrina Kuratana, is an artist and a professional concert violinist of national and international repute – oh yeah, just for spits and giggles – today, she bakes cakes, cookies and cupcakes for a living.

But not just any cakes, cookies and cupcakes.Kuratana is immersed in a business that blends the art of baking with paintings, abstracts and fanciful mini-murals. Her website, found at acakedream.com, is a veritable treasure trove of unique baked goods, whirled and twirled around artists, both new and old, and filled with fun, frolic and frosting.

And so when Sloan received that call from Kuratana asking if she could use some of her eclectic paintings for her cookie and cake toppings, the Carnarvon artist was not only intrigued, but she was also quite prepared to jump in with both feet.

They started with two selections that included some of Sloan's floral and jazz-patterned paintings.

"She did six of my floral paintings and six of my jazz series, and she already sent me up a box of cookies," laughs Sloan. "And she's sold quite a few of the florals now, and so she's going to do another six series of my floral [paintings]."

Sloan adds that another series, themed for kids, and featuring selections of her weirdly wonderful robot paintings will be on board the acakedream.com website shortly.

"It's kind of fun, and funny, because I've never heard of it before," says Sloan. "It's printable icing. It's edible, and it's new to me, so I thought the whole thing was a riot.

The designs include work by such notables as Monet, Kandinsky and Van Gogh, but Kuratana told Sloan that she's having the most fun promoting the work of new artists.

"She's just starting out with all these artists right now," smiles Sloan. "For now she's put a link up to my website, but she says that if they do start flying out the door, we'll [the contributing artists] have a bigger cut of [the proceeds] ... right now there's a small cut."

Sloan says the proof is in the pudding, or the cookie dough, if you will.

"I don't expect to get rich over this cake and cookie thing, but it's great for promotion," says Sloan.

She says that she's seen an uptake of traffic on her website blog – located at wallflowerstudio.blogspot.com – since her paintings have been featured on the cake dream website.

And that?

Oh, just some icing on the cake.

JENN WATT/Echo

**Artist Karen Sloan came into the *Echo* office with her son Alex and a box of her edible art - in the form of cookies.**

**For the twelfth year the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation decorates trees located in the front lobbies with tags sponsored by gifts from our generous supporters.**

**Help us reach our $100,000 Holiday Goal to invest in equipment and technology for the health care facilities and hospitals in Haliburton County.**

**As of December 21, 2009 we have raised $58,768.00 towards our goal.**

**Thank you to the following generous businesses, groups and individuals;**

Bruce & Deborah Bennett
Ida Bernardi
Ron Beveridge
Delores Blair
June & Gary Benson
Grace Bugg
Don & Joan Cameron
Uta Carl
Roger B. Charlesworth
Christine & Merle Collins
Gwen Cox & Joe Rivers
Bruce & Gloria Creamer
David Crego
Wallace & Reta Crofts
Craig Delilo
Gordon & Norma Dobson
C. Donovan
Marie Doney
Ms. E. Eastwood
Andreas & Barbara Eichstaetter
William & Helen Elliott
Fantasy Farm Inc.
Christine & Jim Fleming
Gary & Bonnie Ford
V. Gordon
Wendy Gunning
Marilyn Hadley
Arthur & Marilyn Hall
David Bruce Hall
Allan & Susan Jewell
Linda M. Johnston
Jayne & Bert Kennedy
James & Margaret Kidder
Martin & Vera Klein
Richard & Nancy Laventure
Reg & Shirley Letourneau
John Lingertat
Coral & Bill Martin
William & Beverly Mayo
Lila McFadden
Jan & Mark McMaster
Jean McNamee
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Micak
Robert Miles
Rodney Morris
Hugh Nichol & Stephanie Kuno
Joan M. Nicol
Margaret Nikiforuk
Patricia Olsen
Keith Patterson
Daryl & Sharon Poirier
Richard & Kathy Ponesse
Paul & Eugenia Reich
Glenn & Jill Reid
Arlene Robinson
Frank Rowland
E. Fred Saunders
Christine Schwaner
Chester Schwandt Lumber & Building Supplies Ltd
Gwen Scott
Robert & Donna Stanfield
Margaret Stott
Peter W. H. Terry
James & Lois Watson
Douglas & Sheila Watt
Ishpal Winn
Murray Woods
Lynn & Ed Youngdale

**Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation sincerely thanks our Honourary Chairmen for our 2009 "Reach For The Future" campaign, Dr. Steve Ferracuti and Dr. Dave Fiddler. If you would like to help us "Reach For The Future", your gift can be sent to: Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation, Box 1413, Haliburton, ON., K0M 1S0 or Box 30, Minden, ON., K0M 2K0. You can deposit your gift in the donations boxes at the Minden and Haliburton Facilities, or you can donate online at:**

www.hhhs.on.ca/foundation.htm

*A Foundation For The Health Of The Highlands*

HALIBURTON HIGHLANDS HEALTH SERVICES FOUNDATION

PRESS PLAY MOVIES & GAMES

Movie & Game Rentals

Effective January 1st Press Play Movies and Games will have a **NEW OWNER.** There will be no interruption in business hours. Trace Morfrey and family would like to thank everyone for their business over the past two years and wish them a Happy Holiday Season.

50 York St. Haliburton
705-457-9385
(back of the old Rexall Building)

Haliburton Youth WRESTLING

**Girls and boys aged 9 - 14 years old are invited to join the Haliburton Wrestling Club.**

The cost is $35 and includes:

- membership to the Ontario Amateur Wrestling Association
- 15 sessions on the mat involving basic wrestling technique, strength and flexibility exercises and combative games.

*Sessions are held Thursday evenings from 5:30-6:45 pm at HHSS beginning Jan. 7, 2010. Contact Paul Klose at 457 - 4266 for more information.*

ATOM AE

# Wilbee led scoring for Storm in Port Carling tie

**KARENA CROFTS**

*Manager, Highland Storm Atom AE*

The Highland Storm Atom AEs played their last scheduled game of 2009 on Sunday, Dec. 20 at 4:30 in Port Carling. The game was later then usual because three of our players, Alex Wilbee, Jack Dobie and Carter O'Neill, were in the all-star game in Sundridge, which that team won 2-1. The boys were determined to play well and pull out a win against Port Carling, but they had to work hard for their goals. The Storm did manage a 4-4 tie. With a hat trick by Alex Wilbee, the other goal by Owen Smith. Assists by Trevor Turner, Greg Crofts, Jack Dobie, Ryan Prentice and Alex Wilbee. We would all like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and to thank you for your support.


## Home & Cottage Services

When Quality is your Number 1 Concern
**Ian Johnson**
(General Contracting)
All Home Improvements • Custom Work
ian_johnson@sympatico.ca
(705) 754-1086 | WSIB REGISTERED CSAO MEMBER

castle EMMERSON LUMBER
63 Maple Ave., Haliburton
CUSTOM HOME & COTTAGE DESIGN
Phone: 705-457-1550 Fax: 705-457-1520
Out of Town Customers Call 1-888-339-3325
email.information@emmersonlumber.com • www.emmersonlumber.com

WE HAVE INSURANCE TO LIFT YOUR BUILDING
G. Rowden Building
Specializing in
• Cottage Lifting • Basements
• Perimeter Walls • Concrete Slabs
(705) 457-2168
63791034

LARRY MISCIO LOGGING
Split Firewood
Firewood Logs
PHONE 754-3762

RAYMAC
Your professional local partner in making your dream a reality.
CUSTOM HOMES • COTTAGES
COMMERCIAL
Phone: 705-754-4447
Toll Free: 1-888-775-0330
Email: info@raymac.ca
WWW.RAYMAC.CA
TARION REGISTERED BUILDER WARRANTY PROTECTION
63822448

Dan Allison
Master Electrician
(705) 286-6866
res./com./ind.
Daniel E. Electric
R.R.#1
Minden, On.
K0M 2K0
daniel.electric@sympatico.ca

MYERS CHIMNEY
SERVING HALIBURTON COUNTY
Sweeping * Installation * Repair
Custom Hearth Renovations & Products
WETT Inspections * Infrared Technology
IAN MYERS WETT CERTIFIED
Technician, Chimney Sweep, Site Basic Inspector
PHONE: 705-286-1245
EMAIL: myerschimney@hotmail.com
Website: www.myerschimney.com
63871032

ROYAL HOMES LIMITED
A Place to Build Memories
Your Lot, Your Dream Custom Built Home or Cottage
3kms south of Minden on Hwy 35
705-286-6992 1-888-717-4923
www.RoyalHomesMinden.on.ca

BARRY MISCIO CONTRACTING
• Homes & Cottages
• Garages
• Renovations & Additions
• Interiors & Exteriors
• ICF & Block Basements
• Concrete Floors
• Decks, Roofing & Siding
• Fully Insured
We Take Pride In Our Work!
705-754-4603
Cell: 705-457-0553
Fax: 705-754-2938
63871067

GREAT NORTHERN INSULATION
Great Northern Insulation is an industry-leading insulation contractor with over 27 years experience. We are the largest insulation company in Ontario and have branches throughout. We specialize in BASF WALLTITE® spray foam insulation endorsed by Mike Holmes.
You've seen us on Cottage Life TV!
Area Rep Phil O'Reilly, Kushog Lake Toll Free: 1-888-855-8752 • www.gni.ca

Sharp Electric
GENERATORS & EMERGENCY BACK UP POWER SYSTEMS
ELECTRICAL CONTRACTING & SERVICE
COTTAGE • HOME • COMMERCIAL • INDUSTRIAL
Supplies • Water Heater Repairs • Electric Heat • Pole Lines • Hydro Poles
ESA Contractor #7002795
KOHLER POWER SYSTEMS Authorized Dealer
Serving Haliburton Highlands Since 1976
(705) 457-2640 info@sharpelectric.ca

J&K Hearn
705-754-9657
Drywall
Boarding • Taping
Hand Textured Ceilings
Water Damage • Prime & Paint
James & Kelly Hearn, R.R. #1, Haliburton, ON K0M 1S0
63822143

Top Line Roof Shovelling
The Winter has just begun & we're buried already!
Don't wait for it to ice up – you won't like the price, plain & simple!
Call Terry Today – 705-738-3906

Merrill Barry Co. Ltd.
Total Site Prep.
Driveways
Excavation
Sand, Gravel, Topsoil
Licensed Septic Installer
Merrill (705) 754-2258
Lance (705) 754-2607
Fax 705-754-3313
email merrill.barry@bellnet.ca
Box 137, West Guilford, ON K0M 2S0
63870070

MOORE PROPANE LIMITED
Residential • Commercial
1-877-735-1856

CHRISTMAS

# Businesses key in toy donations

*from page 1*

the timing," explains Tose. "You can shop for your own family until you drop on the 24th, but this drive must be completed well in advance. There must be time for volunteers to organize and prepare for family pick up. Many people don't think about giving in November and yet that would be the best time for this drive to take place."

Tose says the economic situation did affect the drive this year, but not in terms of donations received.

"The number of donations this year was very similar to the past year," says Tose.

"The fact that many more families needed the help tells me that economics plays a major part in the drive. There were 277 families that received toys from the 4Cs in Haliburton and 160 from Minden. Fortunately this community has always stepped up when the need is great and this year was no different."

Tose has been involved with the drive since its conception in 1996.

Although she's unsure of what pushed her to get the homebuilders' association involved, it's a decision that has always returned fruitful rewards.

"Once we did it the first year it was easy to see there was a huge need," says Tose.

"In the beginning we picked up donated toys at company Christmas parties. There are still a few companies that do this but many businesses simply collect at work and we pick up there."

Over the years companies throughout the area have opened up their doors and their hearts even more for the toy drive.

"The many local drop off locations are now an [integral] part of this drive," says Tose.

"Many new businesses picked up the challenge this year and had gifts dropped off at their place and some choose to entice customers to donate specific items."

These items include things that have been needed more in past drives, such as hats and mittens, as well as personal hygiene items. The local support, says Tose, can make all the difference in the end.

"Without them [local businesses] I believe the number of gifts would be significantly reduced," she says. "The gifts were wonderful and will make many children very happy.

"Every gift was appreciated and will help fill the baskets for many families. It is very fulfilling when it is all done and you really feel that you have made a difference."

Although the drive just wrapped up for another year, Tose is getting ready for the next.

"I am already planning ahead and thinking about what changes need to happen so that I don't get phone calls too late for the big rush," says Tose.

"However, all gifts, early or late, will be used."

# Festive RIDE campaign continues

Officers from the Haliburton Highlands detachment would like to remind the public that the Festive RIDE campaign is ongoing and runs through to Jan. 2. To date, officers from the Haliburton Highlands detachment have stopped more than 2,100 vehicles since the campaign began.

Last Thursday night, an officer stopped a vehicle that was northbound on Highway 35 in the township of Minden Hills. The driver was given a roadside screening device test which he failed. He was then arrested and taken to the detachment.

Charged with drive over 80 mgs and two provincial offences act violations is a 22-year-old male of Minden Hills.

**Cathy Killoch RMT**
**Registered Massage Therapy**
Craniosacral Therapy • Hot Stone Massage
House Calls Available • Gift Certificates
50 York Street Suite #7
Haliburton
705-754-3416

**Floyd Hall Limited**
**Insurance Brokers**
Cottages incl. rentals, Home, Auto & Business
*2 Offices and 8 Licensed Brokers to Serve You Better!*
Minden
705-286-1270
1-800-254-7814
Haliburton
705-457-1732
Fax: 705-457-2481
*FloydHallInsurance.com*
*Serving the Highlands for over 50 years*

**VASEY INSURANCE**
BROKERS LTD.
• auto • homeowners
• seasonal dwellings
• recreational vehicles
• commercial package policies
Minden 286-2231 • Haliburton 457-2300
DREW CAREY 455-9867
1-888-298-7771
dcarey@vaseyinsurance.com

**Dawson Gray**
**Chartered Accountants**
• tax planning for individuals, families and retirees
• estate planning
• tax planning for the owner/manager
DAVID L. GRAY
(705)457-1330
dgray@dawsongray.on.ca
HUGH W. NICHOL
1-888-839-0028
hnichol@dawsongray.on.ca

**DAWSON INSURANCE BROKERS LTD.**
191 HIGHLAND ST. HALIBURTON
AUTO • HOME
BUSINESS • COTTAGE
• Personal Assistance
• 24 Hour Claim Centre
• 58 Years of Continuous Service
• Monthly Payment Plans Available
457-2411 Email: adawson@dawsoninsurance.ca
Fax: 705-457-3932 Toll-Free: 1-800-582-5217
Office Hours: Monday to Friday 8:30-5 Saturday 9-12
*"We'll Be There When YOU Need Us!"*
Representing THE DOMINION
Economical Insurance, Intact Insurance, Algoma Mutual

Gord Kidd
Registered Hearing Instrument Specialist
**CALL TODAY FOR YOUR FREE ADULT HEARING TEST**
30 Day Free Trial of our recommendation
EXPERIENCE COUNTS ~ OVER 20 YEARS SERVING HALIBURTON COUNTY
**Minden / Haliburton Hearing Service**
*HALIBURTON*
*Halco Plaza • 457-9171*
3rd Tuesday of the month in WILBERFORCE
1-866-276-7120
*MINDEN*
*41 Bobcaygeon Rd. • 286-6001*

# Notices

## Haliburton County EMS

P.O. Box 1265, 6 South Street, Haliburton, Ontario, K0M 1S0
Phone: 705-457-1616

**VEHICLE FOR SALE**

2003 Ford CTV (Ambulance)

Located at 1516 Ingoldsby Road – County Roads Yard and may be viewed Monday thru Friday between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. by appointment. Please call (705) 457-1616.

Official Bid Forms may be picked up at either:
County Admin Building – 11 Newcastle Street, Minden
or
Haliburton County EMS – Admin Offices – 6 South St., Haliburton, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. & 4:30 p.m. – Mon thru Fri or may be downloaded from the County Website: www.haliburtoncounty.ca

**Vehicle will be sold on an "as-is/where-is" basis.**

Official Bids must be received at 11 Newcastle Street, Minden, before 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday January 5, 2010

Highest or any bid not necessarily accepted.

## COUNTY OF HALIBURTON
## NOTICE OF PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE AND PUBLIC MEETING CONCERNING A REVIEW OF THE COUNTY OFFICIAL PLAN OPA NO. 2

**TAKE NOTICE THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the County of Haliburton will hold a Public Open House and a Public Meeting under the *Planning Act*

**PURPOSE AND EFFECT:** Official Plan Amendment No. 2 has been initiated by the Council for the Corporation of the County of Haliburton pursuant to the provisions of Section 26 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990 c. P.13, as amended. The proposed amendment is a general amendment which will result in revisions to the policies in the County Official Plan to address matters identified by the community. The amendment will result in an Official Plan that is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement.

**AND TAKE NOTICE THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the County of Haliburton will hold a Public Open House on

**DATE:** **Saturday January 16th, 2010**
**TIME:** **9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**
**PLACE:** **County of Haliburton Administration Building**
**ADDRESS:** **11 Newcastle Street, Minden, Ontario**

This Open House will provide the public with an opportunity to review the final draft of the Official Plan policies. County Staff and members of the Consultant Team will be on hand to receive comments and answer questions.

**AND TAKE NOTICE THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the County of Haliburton will hold a Public Meeting under the *Planning Act* on

**DATE:** **Wednesday January 27th, 2010**
**TIME:** **1:00 p.m.**
**PLACE:** **County of Haliburton Administration Building**
**ADDRESS:** **11 Newcastle Street, Minden, Ontario**

This Meeting will provide the public with an opportunity to comment on the final draft of the Official Plan policies. County Council will hear presentations but requests that written comments also be provided.

**ANY PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY** may attend the Open House, Public Meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed official plan amendment or the proposed by-law.

**WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS** in respect of the proposed official plan amendment are to be filed with the County of Haliburton, Planning Department, P. O. Box 399, 11 Newcastle St., Minden, ON K0M 2K0

**IF A PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY** does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the County of Haliburton before the proposed official plan amendment is adopted, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the County of Haliburton to the Ontario Municipal Board.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the County of Haliburton before the proposed official plan amendment is adopted, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

**REQUESTING NOTICE OF DECISION:** If you wish to be notified of the adoption of the proposed official plan amendment, or of the refusal to amend the official plan, you must make a written request to the Planning Department, County of Haliburton, P. O. Box 399, 11 Newcastle St., Minden, ON K0M 2K0

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** A copy of draft Official Plan policies can be obtained by contacting the County Planning Department after August 15th, 2009 or by visiting the County website at www.haliburtoncounty.ca and following the links from News & Public Notices: Official Plan – 5 Year Review. Information regarding the proposed Official Plan Amendment is available for public inspection at the Planning Department, County of Haliburton, *by appointment* during regular business hours Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Dated at the Township of Minden this 17th day of December, 2009

For additional information please contact:
Jane M. Tousaw, A.M.C.T.
Director of Planning
County of Haliburton
11 Newcastle Street
P. O. Box 399
Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0
Telephone: (705) 286-1333
or 1-866-866-8815, Ext. 222
Fax. (705) 286-4829
e-mail jtousaw@county.haliburton.on.ca

# AROUND TOWN

Josie Quigley (pictured left) and Mia Quigley (right) get into the Christmas spirit while they do some last minute shopping with mom Carrie on the morning of Christmas Eve.

/Photo Angelica Blenich

## Municipality of Dysart et al

135 Maple Avenue
P.O. Box 389,
Haliburton, ON K0M 1S0
Telephone: (705) 457-1740 Fax: (705) 457-1964
Email: info@dysartetal.ca Website: www.dysartetal.ca

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**

Council of the Municipality of Dysart et al will be considering proposed amendments to various Fees and Charges at their meeting on Monday, January 11th, 2010.

The amendments pertain to the following fees:

Disposal of Waste at Municipal Landfill Sites:
- Tires
- Brush
- Building Material

Further information on the proposed fees and charges are available on the Municipality's website at www.dysartetal.ca, or at the Dysart Municipal Office, 135 Maple Avenue, Haliburton, ON, K0M 1S0.

**JOB OPPORTUNITY**

**SEASONAL LABOURER – ROADS DEPARTMENT**

Duties include general labourer responsibilities for roads maintenance purposes. Minimum of a G driver's licence is required and a D "Z" licence is preferred. Previous roads maintenance and/or construction experience is considered an asset. Employment is to commence as soon as possible for a maximum period of nine (9) months. Rate of pay will be $18.52 per hour, pursuant to the CUPE Local 2142 Collective Agreement.

Qualified candidates are encouraged to submit a detailed resume to the undersigned by 3:00 p.m. on Monday, January 11th, 2010.

Tammy McKelvey, A.M.C.T.
CAO/Clerk
Municipality of Dysart et al
135 Maple Avenue, PO Box 389
Haliburton, ON K0M 1S0
Tel: 705-457-1740 Fax: 705-457-1964
Email: tmckelvey@dysartetal.ca

*We thank all applicants but only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Personal information is collected in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and will be used only for employment purposes.*

## SHOPPING

On a hectic Christmas Eve morning, shopper Melissa Lewis stocks up on holiday essentials at the V & S department store. /Photos Angelica Blenich

Eleanor Holmes is all smiles as she finds some last-minute deals at the Bargain Shop on the morning of Christmas Eve.

# Coming Events

**St. Anthony's Catholic Church**
**Haliburton**

**December 31st**
5:00 p.m.
New Years Mass

Wilberforce Agricultural Society
would like to invite
you to our
**Annual General Meeting**
Saturday, January 9, 2010
Lloyd Watson Community Centre

Come and learn about
the workings of the Wilberforce Fair.
Everyone Welcome!

**REGISTER NOW!!**
**Physical Journeys Fitness**
**12 WINTER PROGRAMS**
**Jan 4 - April 1**
(Minden and Haliburton)

**Variety of Programs:**
Strength & Core Training /
Athletic & Boxing / Step & Ball /
Cardio / Balance & Stretch /
Light Activity Fitness

**Certified Trainers:**
Lorie Kah
& Meghan Cox
**457-3224**

**DID SANTA FORGET?**

We all know he is getting a little older and, well, can sometimes forget things. Perhaps you did not receive a Highlands Summer Festival Season Pass in your Christmas stocking. Well, there is still time to purchase yours at pre-Christmas prices. Passes are available at Kitchens Etc. in Haliburton or The Storeroom in Minden. Or call the Highlands Summer Festival Box office for details: 705-457-9933. Four production pass--$80, with additional shows available for only $20 each. But do it now, (before you forget), because the sale ends January 15.

St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Parish
705-488-2222 or 800-670-4360
stpat@vianet.ca
**New Years Mass Schedule**

St. Patricks's Roman Catholic Parish
P.O. Box 98, 4030 County Rd. 121
Kinmount, ON, K0M 2A0
**January 1st 9:00 a.m.**

Our Lady of Fatima Church
7 Bobcaygeon Rd., Minden, ON
Kinmount, ON, K0M 2A0
**January 1st 10:30 a.m.**

WEST GUILFORD

# Claridge family rock the pageant

*community news*

## west guilford

*Eleanor Cooper*
754-2278

At the Sunday morning church service at St. George's a pageant was presented which featured not only the regular class of Julia Robertson, but also in large measure the Claridge family of West Guilford. Brian and George Claridge provided musical accompanient on guitars, Aaron and Josiah, grandsons, acted as commentator and kings, and real live two-week-old Dillon slept peacefully throughout in the manger as baby Jesus. Thanks to all who participated.

The ladies in the choir were provided with golden halos so that we could pretend to be angels!

We are so sorry to have to report on sad news at this time, Rose Barry's brother, Tom Nunn, died on Dec. 17 in Haliburton Hospital.

This is especially grieving since the Nunns were to have moved into the house Tom just finished building on Irish Line on Dec. 23.

Our deepest sympathy goes to Tom's wife, Elaine and to the family, Mike, Jackie, Dan and Mark.

Another family also stricken with a loss is the Kanters - van den Hoogen family.

Betsie Kanters, Louise and Nicole's mother, died at Extendicare, peacefully in her sleep on the evening of Dec. 21.

The sympathy of the community goes out to the girls and to Nicole's boys, Ryan and Adam and Betsie's son and grandson in B.C. Frank and Kevin.

May all who are not affected by such sadness and loss be blessed with the joy and comfort of the season, and enjoy prosperity in the New Year.

In case you were wondering about that last "Z" name in the column last week, it was my writing error. It should be Zavitz. I apologize, Bert.

# More than 43,000 H1N1 shots given in health unit

**DAVE FLAHERTY**
*Lindsay Post*

The Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit has administered more than 43,000 H1N1 vaccinations this season, chief medical officer of health Dr. Lynn Noseworthy said. That includes 23,000 H1N1 vaccines through their community clinics and another 20,000 through affiliated vaccination agents for the total of over 43,000, she said.

By comparison, during the entire 2007-08 flu season, 49,000 seasonal flu shots were given from September to April, Noseworthy said.

The final community flu clinic for 2009 was held on Monday in Fenelon Falls, and Noseworthy said health unit officials have not determined whether further clinics will be scheduled in the new year.

"It will really depend on the demand," she said.

While data shows that H1N1 activity is declining, Noseworthy said it is simply too early to assume that trend will continue. "We don't know if we are going to get a third wave," Noseworthy said. Some people have claimed that the H1N1 flu was overblown, but Noseworthy said medical officials have no choice but to take new diseases seriously.

**To advertise your upcoming event, call Laura or Sarah at 457-1037**

# Coming Events

## community calendar

What's happening in the County

***Post your event for free on the web. Go to: www.mindentimes.ca or to the UR Haliburton Highlands Community Calendar link at: www.haliburtonecho.ca***

- January 7 to 16: The Taoist Tai Chi Society (TM) is holding Open Houses in Haliburton, Minden and Wilberforce to introduce the start of a new classes - Taoist Tai Chi(TM) is a gentle form of exercise which can help you improve your strength, flexibility and balance. For more information, please call Brenda 447-2148 or visit www.haliburtonecho.ca

- January 9: Wilberforce Agricultural Society would like to Invite You to Our Annual General Meeting – Join us at the Lloyd Watson Community Centre at 7:30 pm. Come and learn about the workings of the Wilberforce Fair. Everyone Welcome!

- January 21: The annual meeting of the Wilberforce Heritage Guild will be held at the Red Cross Outpost in Wilberforce – Join us at 7:00 pm. All welcome. Refreshments.

- Christmas Closure Minden and Haliburton OEYC – Both centres will be closed on Thursday, December 17 and reopening for regular hours on Monday, January 4, 2010. The Ontario Early Years Staff wish all families a safe and Happy Holiday.

- Good News Club – Junior kindergarten to Grade 3 children are invited to a fun filled club with Christian values taught. The program will be be walked oveer to J.D. Hodgson School. The program is free. Children can be picked up at JDH at 5pm. Call Stephanie 754-0079.

Events listings are provided **FREE for non-profit groups on a space-available basis.** While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Echo at 457-3275, emailed to editor@haliburtonecho.ca., or faxed to The Minden Times at 286-4768, emailed to editor@mindentimes.ca. or brought in to the office.
**Please submit events by the Thursday prior to the requested publication date.**
**NOTE: This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area.** Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in the Echo for more information on events in the Highlands. For more Ongoing Community Events please see the Weekender.

# classifiedextra.ca

Canada's largest and most trusted print and online classifieds network

Online partners: canoe.ca A Quebecor Media Company · YAHOO! CANADA

Merchandise · Pets Agriculture · Real Estate Rentals · Vacation Travel · Employment Education · Community Services · Announcements

Garage Sales · Transportation · Home Improvement · Professional Services · Notices · Personals

**Place it on classifiedextra.ca**

**Phone:** 1-866-541-6757 **Fax:** 1-866-485-8461

**Online:** haliburtonecho.classifiedextra.ca **Email:** placeit@classifiedextra.ca


## Merchandise

### Firewood A180

**NICELY SEASONED FIREWOOD FOR SALE - DELIVERY AVAILABLE. DUNLOE FARM, WEST GUILFORD. 754-3034** 11767979

Looking to buy? place an ad under *A280* *1-866-541-6757* 11238613

### Machinery A220

**GENERATORS** Diesal Propane Natural Gas, Stand bys & portable. 800-954-9998 11767420

### Miscellaneous A230

**STEEL ROOFING & SIDING** 29 gauze Galv $68 per sq ,30 year paint $98 per sq Bar Steel Sales 705-723-8080 www.sbsteel.ca 11767210

### Seasonal A270

**ROOF SHOVELLING CALL 457-6365** 11767814

## Transportation

### Vans/ Trucks A420

2002 Ford Van 230000 km, White ext, Grey int, 6 cyl auto trans, 2WD, ABS, A/C, bucket seats. Good cond. $3200 OBO. Call Leo Henry at 705-754-1450, leave message. email: leohenry.tileguy@gmail.com 11762675

**FORD F250 4X4 3 1/4 TON SUPER DUTY DIESAL** - Dump box, meyers plow, 112,000 km, certified & e-tested, $23,000. Call 489-2580 11769824

### Parts & Accessories A430

**9 FT 2 INCH BOSS "V" PLOW** - Like new, plowed less than 10 times. Asking $6500 obo. 705-489-2580 11769835

Looking to buy? place an ad under *A280* *1-866-541-6757* 11238613

**TRACTOR & TRUCK CHAINS (All sizes,all types) 800-954-9998** 11767379

### RECREATIONAL VEHICLES

### Snowmobiles A490

**1992 POLARIS 500** Runs great, $1200 obo. Call 457-2444 or email dan_paul182@hotmail.com 11774672

## Rentals

### Apartments Unfurnished A610

**For Rent- Two bedrom apartment** 2 miles west of Haliburton, close to Independent Grocer, Bright and clean, spacious grounds and parking. Available Feb. 1, 2010. $660 + utilities. Call 613-334-8012 or email elbonito2009@gmail.com 11766433

### Houses A650

**4-BEDROOM HOME IN MINDEN** Steps to Riverwalk. Huge yard.Oil furnace & wood stove. No smoking. No pets. $950/mth + utilities. Avail. Feb 13. Call - 286-3520 11773703

**ELEGANT 3 BEDROOM HOME FOR RENT** $850/mth, close to town. No pets. Avail. Jan 1, 2010. 457-2054 11759862

**FOR RENT** Beautiful 4 bedroom home in Haliburton, close to stores and park, main floor family room, $950 + utilities. Ref's and security deposit Call 705-488-2613 11770549

## Employment Education

### General Employment A800

**PART-TIME FRY COOK** required. Sir Sam's Ski Chalet. Call Angela 705-754-2298 11772228

**LOOK**

**Has Your Family Out Grown That Old Two Seater?** Let us help you sell it! Call Classifieds **1-866-541-6757** 11238759

### EDUCATION

## Careers A780

Fleming College

Develop your knowledge, skills and capacity to innovate.
Contribute to a strong team through connection and collaboration.
Grow as a person while achieving your goals

Join the Fleming College team in the following administrative position:

**Operations Leader**
**School of Education, Health & Wellness**

For more information visit our website at **www.flemingcollege.com**

*Located in the heart of Central Ontario, Fleming College has campuses in Peterborough, Lindsay, Cobourg and Haliburton. The college features more than 90 full-time programs with 5,000 full-time and 10,000 part-time students and more than 50,000 alumni.*

## General Employment A800

**CABINETMAKER/WOODWORKER**
Expanding kitchen & furniture shop requires full time help. Min 3 years experience in a woodworking or kitchen manufacturing environment preferred.
Fax or email resume to: 705-448-9877
cottagehill@sympatico.ca

**OPPORTUNITY**

Start in January of 2010, Lifestyles solutions is looking for a
**EXPERIENCED SALES & CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE**
for a local business. Our business is well established, We are looking to fill a full time position, training will be provided. Attractive wage increase and bonuses after 1 year of gainful employment.
**Please forward resume to hr@lifestylessolutionsinc.net or jobsatlifestyles@gmail.com**

*EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY*
Budget Propane is looking for an experienced DZ driver.
Must have minimum three years driving experience. Must be familiar with the Haliburton Area.
This is a full time seasonal position.
All training provided by Budget Propane Corporation. Please fax resume and driver's abstract to 1-705-687-1305

## Career Training A880

**Real Estate Sales Are Up!**
Time for a new career? Best training program available. Call Kate Archer, Regional Mgr., Bowes & Cocks Ltd., Brokerage (705) 457-2220 office or (705) 930-4040 direct careers@bowesandcocks.com www.RealEsateCareerInfo.ca

**CLASSIFIED 1-866-541-6757**

## Lessons & Classes A890

**HALIBURTON YOGA WINTER TERM** begins Jan 4. Classes for beginners, seniors, athletes and more. www.haliburtonyoga.com 11770574

*Shanti Peace*
**HOLNESS YOGA**
Classes begin January 4th, 2010
Gail Holness 455-9294 11772340

## Miscellaneous A230

**FIREARMS WANTED**

FOR UPCOMING AUCTIONS: Rifles, Shotguns, Handguns, Ammunition, Bows, Military Medals & Edged Weapons. As Estate Specialists we manage the sale of registered & unregistered firearms. We can facilitate the sale of firearms with expired certificates.

Call Paul @ Switzer's Auction: 613-332-5581 or 800-694-2609 or email info@switzersauction.com for a consultation.

Watch our web site for updated listings: www.switzersauction.com

NEXT SALE: February 20th, 2010

## General Employment A800


**Follow classifiedextra.ca on twitter for classified updates**

employment, autos, real estate, rentals, classified news and more!

twitter.com/classifiedextra

**PLACE IT! SELL IT!** with classifiedextra's **online video ad placement**

A great new way to sell just about anything.

Your print ad will appear in this **newspaper** and your **text and video** ad will be **online**. Send us your video and have it professionally edited or leave it unedited.*

*Must meet time and content restrictions.

**Call us now for details! 1-866-541-6757**

**Watch the Video! haliburtonecho.classifiedextra.ca**

# Network Classifieds: Advertise Across Ontario or Across the Country!

**For more information contact Your local newspaper**

### AUTOMOTIVE

SAVE UP TO $400 ON YOUR CAR INSURANCE. Clean driving record? Call Grey Power today at 1-866-473-9207 for no-obligation quote. Additional discounts available.

MOTOR VEHICLE dealers in Ontario MUST be registered with OMVIC. To verify dealer registration or seek help with a complaint, visit www.omvic.on.ca or 1-800-943-6002. If you're buying a vehicle privately, don't become a curbsider's victim. Curbsiders are impostors who pose as private individuals, but are actually in the business of selling stolen or damaged vehicles.

### BUILDING MATERIALS

#1A STEEL BUILDING SALE! Save up to 60% on your new garage, shop, warehouse. 6 colors available! 40 year warranty! Free shipping, the first 20 callers! 1-800-457-2206. www.crownsteelbuildings.com.

### BUSINESS SERVICES

LOOKING FOR NEW BUSINESS and added revenue? Promote your company in Community Newspapers across Ontario right here in these Network Classified Ads or in business card-sized ads in hundreds of well-read newspapers. Let us show you how. Ask about our referral program. Ontario Community Newspapers Association. Contact Carol at 905-639-5718 or Toll-Free 1-800-387-7982 ext. 229. www.ocna.org

### ENTERTAINMENT

OLG is a proud community partner supporting many festivals and events across Ontario each year. Learn more at OLG.ca.

### CAREER TRAINING

BEEN LAID OFF? Need career training? We can help! Call Everest College of Business, Technology and Health Care Today! 1-866-845-0276. www.EverestCanada.ca, Everest College.

MEDICAL TRANSCRIPTION RATED #2 for At-Home Jobs. Achieve your goal. Work from home! Start your Medical Transcription training today. Contact CanScribe at 1-800-466-1535, www.canscribe.com, info@canscribe.com.

### EMPLOYMENT OPPS.

A DISCONNECTED PHONE? Cheap telephone reconnect with long distance and internet options. Low monthly rates & special holiday offers. Call now! 1-877-336-2274, Phone Factory; www.phonefactory.ca.

### FINANCIAL SERVICES

$$NEED MONEY$$ Have RRSP or locked in pension plan from an ex-employer (LIRA) or (LIF) 3 easy ways to help. Call: 1-866-976-7336.

DEBT CONSOLIDATION PROGRAM. Helping Canadians repay debts, reduce or eliminate interest, regardless of your credit. Steady Income? You may qualify for instant help. Considering Bankruptcy? Call 1-877-220-3328 FREE Consultation Government Approved, BBB Member.

$$$ FREE $$$ yourself from debt $$$ MONEY $$$ for any purpose. Decrease payments up to 75%! 1st, 2nd & 3rd Mortgages & Credit lines. Bad credit, tax or mortgage arrears OK. Ontario-Wide Financial Corp. (LIC# 10171), Toll-Free 1-888-307-7799, www.ontario-widefinancial.com.

### HELP WANTED

$$$ SECURITY GUARDS $$$ Security guards wanted ASAP, No experience needed, Training provided. Immediate openings. Pay $10-$18 per hour. All over GTA, (416) 642-9012, www.ironhorsegroup.com.

#1 IN PARDONS. Remove your criminal record. Express Pardons offers the FASTEST pardons, LOWEST prices, and it's GUARANTEED. BBB Accredited. FREE Consultation Toll-Free 1-866-416-6772. www.ExpressPardons.com.

SECURITY GUARDS WANTED for GTA and all surrounding areas. Up to $18/hr + benefits. FT & PT positions available. Call Toll-Free 1-888-351-4295.

### INSURANCE

CLEAN DRIVING RECORD? Grey Power could save you up to $400 on your car insurance. Call 1-877-505-0487 for no-obligation quote. Additional discounts available.

### MORTGAGES

0$ ARE YOU SINKING IN DEBT? 1st, 2nd & 3rd Mortgages - Bruised Credit - Bank Turndowns - Debt Consolidation - Refinancing - Power of Sale - Past Bankrupt - Home Renovations. We can lend a Hand (Brokerage License # 11384). CANADALEND.com, Email: paul.pabla@canadalend.com, Toll-free 1-877-999-9133 CALL NOW!

$$$ 1st, 2nd, 3rd MORTGAGES - Tax Arrears, Renovations, Debt Consolidation, no CMHC fees. $50K you pay $208.33/month (OAC). No income, bad credit, power of sale stopped!! BETTER OPTION MORTGAGES, CALL 1-800-282-1169, www.mortgageontario.com (LIC# 10969).

### PERSONALS

ARE ALL OF YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY ringing in the new year with someone special? When are you going to meet someone special? Ontario's largest, most successful matchmaking agency is just a call away! MISTY RIVER INTRODUCTIONS, CALL (416) 777-6302, (705) 734-1292, www.mistyriverintros.com.

DENIED CANADA PENSION PLAN DISABILITY BENEFITS? The Disability Claims Advocacy Clinic can help. Call Allison Schmidt at 1-877-793-3222. www.saskadvocate.com.

DATING SERVICE. Long-Term/Short-Term Relationships, FREE CALLS! 1-877-297-9883. Exchange voice messages, voice mailboxes. 1-888-534-6984. Live adult casual conversations - 1on1, 1-866-311-9640, Meet on chat-lines. Local Single Ladies 1-877-804-5381. 18+

* PAST*PRESENT*FUTURE * #1 Psychics! *1-877-478-4410* Credit cards / deposit or phone 1-900-783-3800 $3.19 min (18+) For a psychic NOW! Meet us at: www.mysticalconnections.ca.

### STEEL BUILDINGS

A-Z Technical Bldg. Systems Inc.: Pre-Engineered Steel Buildings. Since 1978! Stamp drawings & leasing available. Ask for Wally: Toll-Free at 1-877-743-5888, Fax (416) 626-5512. www.a-ztech.on.ca.

BUILDING SALE!".... PRICED TO SELL! ONTARIO manufacturer since 1980. Final Clearance! SPECIAL SIZES. 12x16, 20X24, 25X30, 30x40, 35X50, 40X60, 48x90, 50X110, 60X150. OTHERS! Pioneer Steel Manufacturers, 1-800-668-5422.

### FOR SALE

NEW Norwood® SAWMILL Models - New LumberMate® - Pro handles logs 34" in diameter & mills boards 28" wide. Automated quick-cycle-sawing™ functions increase efficiency by up to 40% to boost production. www.norwoodsawmills.com/400T - FREE Information: 1-800-566-6899 Ext:400OT.

A FREE TELEPHONE SERVICE - Get Your First Month Free. Bad Credit, Don't Sweat It. No Deposits. No Credit Checks. Call Freedom Phone Lines Today Toll-Free 1-866-884-7464.

#1 HIGH SPEED INTERNET $18.95 / Month. Absolutely no ports are blocked. Unlimited Downloading. Up to 5Mps Download and 800Kbps Upload. ORDER TODAY AT www.acanac.ca or CALL TOLL-FREE: 1-866-281-3538.

**HOME PHONE RECONNECT** Call 1-866-287-1348. Prepaid Long Distance Specials! Feature Package Specials! Referral Program! Don't be without a home phone. Call to Connect NOW! 1-866-287-1348.

1000 ISLAND AIRBOATS - Travel ice, snow, water in heated comfort, 4 models to choose from, Transport Canada certified. More info at www.airboats.ca OR CALL TOLL-FREE 1-866-AIR-BOAT (1-866-247-2628).

### PSYCHICS

LOVE, MONEY & CAREER. What's up for 2010? By phone 1-900-643-1415, $2.85/min. or by cell Rogers, Fido & Bell Mobility dial the pound key and this number (633486) (#medium) at $2.99/min. 18+ www.mediumcanada.com.

**• It's Affordable • It's Fast • It's Easy • It's Effective • One Bill Does It All** • *All Ontario $449* • National Packages Available! www.networkclassified.org


You'll *never* guess what I found in the classifieds...

**Find out for yourself**

**classifiedextra.ca**

Community Services

**Coming Events** A940

**Step It Fitness**
Winter Session
Evening Pilates
Jan. 4th, 4:50 p.m.
Mon. & Wed.
NOON Aerobics/
Strengthening
Begin Jan. 18th
Mon. ~ Tues. ~ Thurs.
Certified Instructors
Call 457-1052 Ext. 205
For Info
11766370

**Coming Events** A940

**Exercise Your Brain Each Week**
**Play the Brain Game SUDOKU**
**New Puzzle Each Week In**
The Highlands Weekender

· BUY IT ·
· SELL IT ·
· FIND IT ·

• CLASSIFIED •
1-866-541-6757

WE'RE HERE FOR YOU DAILY

# BUSINESS & SERVICES DIRECTORY

**Cleaning Services** S160

**HOUSE CLEANING**
Full service cleaning available.
Reputable and bonded, references.
Also mobile pedicure/massages by certified esthetician available for your 'girls weekend'.
Call 705-455-7473

**Domestic/ Child Care** S390

**BABYSITTING SERVICES AVAILABLE**
~NICE SAFE HOME
~HEALTHY SNACKS PROVIDED
~EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT
Located between Minden & Haliburton
CALL 455-7769

**Landscaping Snow Removal** S230

**Roof Shovelling**
Jim McKelvey
Fully Insured
1-888-878-7543
(705)286-1581
30 years experience
11773771

Read it in the classifieds
11238602

**Repairs/ Handyman** S290

*ODD JOB JACK*
Your Local Handyman
For any and all odd jobs.
What can we do for you?
705-448-9965 or email
oddjobjack@yahoo.ca
11746410

**OBTAIN RESULTS,**
*with Classified Extra*
*1-866-541-6757*
11238643

**The best place...** to buy it, sell it, find it and announce it **1-866-541-6757**

## THE MORE YOU TELL, THE FASTER IT SELLS.

### HOW TO WRITE AN EFFECTIVE CLASSIFIED AD

1. Identify the item you are selling by its most commonly known name.
2. List the items best features (colour, make, accessories etc.)

**KITCHEN TABLE**, 6 wheat sheaf chairs, 2 twelve inch leaves, solid oak. Excellent condition. $750 or best offer. Call 555-5555 after 6:00 PM.

3. Note the hours you are available to take calls.
4. Remember to include your phone number.
5. Give the price of the item.

# Announcements

## Deaths

## Deaths

### Betsie (Barbara) Kanters

**(Resident of West Guilford, Ontario)**

Peacefully, on Monday December 21, 2009 in her 81st year with her family by her side. Devoted wife of John Van Den Hoogen and Peter Kanters (both predeceased). Beloved mother of Frank (Deborah, predeceased), Louise (Marlene), Nicole (Don). Cherished Oma of Kevin, Ryan & Adam. Dear sister of Petra, Trudy, Tina, Ferdy, Henry, Louie and predeceased by John, Rien, Mien, Bill and Ferdinand. She will be missed by her extended family, and many nieces and nephews in Canada, USA, Holland, Germany, Australia, and New Zealand.

**Visitation & Funeral Service**

Friends may call at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705)457-9209 on Sunday December 27, 2009 from 2-4 and 7-9. Then to **OUR LADY OF FATIMA ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH** 7 Bobcaygeon Rd, Minden , Ontario on Monday morning, December 28, 2009 for Funeral Mass at 11 o'clock. As expressions of sympathy, donations to SIRCH or ALS Ontario would be appreciated by the family.

**www.communityfuneralhomes.com**

## Obituaries

**CLEMENS, Edward Earl;**
Passed away peacefully at St. Michael's Hospital in Toronto, on Saturday December 12, 2009 in his 58th year; beloved brother of Willi, Dawn (Calder) and Shari; uncle of Will and Shay (O'Rourke); great uncle of Mineola (Winrow). An informal memorial service will take place at his sister's home in Brampton, with close family and friends.
His meandering spirit and wandering soul are now at rest.
11771175

## Funeral Services

**HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME**

13523 Hwy. #118 / P.O. Box 721,
Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0
**(705) 457-9209**
*"Providing a service that respects your wishes"*
www.communityfuneralhomes.com

TO ADVERTISE ON THIS PAGE
Call CLASSIFIED
at 1-866-541-6757

yourlifemoments.ca

# Linda & Troy Baumgartner Austen

Broker & Sales Representative

(705) 457-1011 ext. 231 or

**455-SOLD (7653)**

linda-troy@bellnet.ca

www.haliburtonrealestate.on.ca

*Your Key to Haliburton Highlands Real Estate*

## LAKE KASHAGAWIGAMOG

Architecturally designed waterfront home or cottage. Boast loads of character. 148 ft of sand shoreline, southern exposure and extreme privacy. 3 bedrooms, 3 baths, cathedral ceilings, wood floors, stone fireplace PLUS - 2 bdrm Bunkie with 3 pce bath, dble wet slip boathouse and change house at waters edge.

**$749,900**

## STORMY LAKE

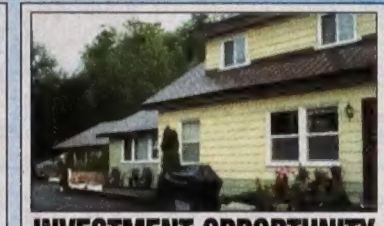
4 bdrm quality built timberframe cottage/home. Private lot, mature trees, 160 ft ftge. West exposure. Maple flrs, cherry staircase, lg picture windows, full finished bsmt, 2 storey Bunkie.

**$729,000**

## PERCY LAKE

4 bdrm newer constructed waterfront cottage or home. Southern exposure and big lake view. Rock and sand shoreline. Open concept living area, hardwood floors, full walkout basement. Hickory kitchen cabinetry, extensive decking, drilled well, septic and FAP heat.

**$460,000**



## INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY

4 unit apartment building located between Haliburton and Minden. 3 units are 1 bedroom, 4th unit is a 2 storey with 3 bedrooms. All units are self contained with many upgrades. Excellent books, units are easily rented. The grounds are immaculate with beautiful gardens, paved driveway and easy access of highway.

**$309,000**

## WONDERLAND ROAD

Tastefully decorated 3 bdrm home 5 minutes from Haliburton. 3 baths, main flr lndry, "Florida Room", lg family room, sewers, drilled well, paved drive, att'd dbl car garage. Nicely treed, private lot.

**$269,000**

## HALIBURTON LAKE

3 bdrm backsplit cottage with pretty view of lake. Open concept, cedar vaulted ceilings, large deck ideal for entertaining, 266 ft of gorgeous frontage and approx 2 acres in size. Property size is 2 lots in total call for details.

**$224,900**

## PERCY LAKE

Nicely treed waterfront lot. Clean rock and sand shoreline. Pretty south facing view, driveway in and building site cleared. Year round road, hydro and telephone available. 107 ft ftge.

**$199,900**

## GROWLER LAKE

waterfront lots/acreage parcels. 10.23 acres, 1.14 acres, 1.13 acres & 47.64 acres. Plenty to choose from. Great swimming, nice deep lake ideal for fishing. The area is known for its beauty and wilderness.

**Pricing ranges from $175,000 to $195,000.**

## IRONDALE

110 acre hunt camp or wilderness retreat, small lake, Trails throughout property. 600 sq ft cabin with hydro, Year round road.

**$165,000**

## LOG HOME

2 bedroom pine log home situated on a level corner lot. Full walkout bsmt with large rec room, laundry and office space. Drilled well, septic, generator back up. Barn, shed and insulated garage.

**$149,000**

## HALIBURTON HOME

2 bedroom home situated in a prime location for a home based business close to town. 2.5 acres, nice view, mature trees. Huge garage and shed. Most windows new, septic, drilled well & newer FA propane furnace.

**$139,900.**

## BASSHAUNT LAKE ROAD

2.39 acre building lot. Directly across to the public access to the lake. Mature hardwoods, level lot, last lot on township road, hydro and phone to lot. Close to ski hill, snowmobile & ATV trails.

**$37,000**

## VACANT LAND

Fader Road. Nicely treed vacant lot with deeded access to Maple Lake. Located on a private year round road with hydro and telephone available.

**$22,000**

## SIR SAM'S SKI AREA

North Road. Nicely treed lot close to the ski hill. Hydro and telephone available. Located in an area of newer homes.

**$19,900**

## SALERNO LAKE BACK LOTS

2 nicely treed lots located adjacent to each other. One is 1.76 acres and one is 1.17 acres. Close to lake access. Hardwood bush, gently rolling, mostly Maples. Hydro and telephone available.

**$19,900**

RE/MAX®

**Haliburton Highlands Realty Ltd. Brokerage**

Independently Owned & Operated

## REAL ESTATE UPDATE – HIGHEST BID MAY NOT WIN

**QUESTION:** Is there any case where the highest offer to buy a home will not end up in a sale?

**ANSWER:** In many situations, the highest bidder does not always win. A smart seller will often accept a lower offer from someone who is certain to qualify for the mortgage loan rather than worry about a financially shaky buyer who might not even qualify for a loan. In another situation, the highest bidder may demand so many conditions and seller-assisted financing that the ultimate sale to a lower bidder may end up in a faster, cleaner and more profitable sale. The highest bid is not ALWAYS best!

IN MANY SITUATIONS, the highest bidder does not always win the sale. There are other considerations.